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## Our London Letter.

### THE SHANGHAI DEFENCE FORCE ON THE WAY.

#### PICKED REGIMENTS OF THE BRITISH ARMY.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, January 29th.

The descriptive writers in the Press have had ample scope for their art this week in connection with the departure of the troops for China. It is said that the scenes resembled war time; but of course there is no comparison. In the Great War regiments and brigades and divisions stole away quite silently, mostly at night, and no journalist dare record their departure. It was a high crime and misdemeanour to do so. The fact would have been important to the enemy. But the "Shanghai Defence Force" has departed with bands playing amid the plaudits of the multitude. There have been stirring scenes at Portsmouth and at Tilbury Docks; and there was a memorable march of the Coldstream Guards from Wellington Barracks across Westminster Bridge to Waterloo Station en route for Southampton where they embarked for China.

#### The Guards On The March.

This is the first time that a regiment of the Guards has been sent "East of Suez." The Battalion which has sailed for Shanghai has been made up to full strength by volunteers from the various regiments composing the Brigade of Guards. The net result is that the Coldstreamers who on their way to Shanghai as I am writing (I hope this article, sent via Siberia, will duly arrive) are all picked men. Those who watched them march off the parade ground into Birdcage Walk and so into the roaring tide of traffic at Westminster were all agreed that in the wide world it would be impossible to find a finer body of soldiers.

London is amused at the tune the band played as the Coldstream Guard went marching through the streets. It is a ditty very popular here at convivial gatherings where beer is the beverage, and is known as "The Froth-Blowers' Anthem." The refrain runs:—

"For your friends are my friends,  
And my friends are your friends,  
And the more we are together,  
The merrier we'll be."

#### Other Famous Regiments.

I have observed in passing that the Guards Battalion sent to China is a picked force. So also are the other units in their way to Shanghai. As probably your readers know, the Coldstream Guards were raised in 1645 and are the only regiment which has fought under the command of our most famous generals—Cromwell, Marlborough and Wellington. The Devons, raised in 1685, won immortal fame at Salamanca in 1812, and against the Germans in 1918. The second battalion laid down their lives to a man, being specially mentioned in general orders to the admiration of the French Army as soldiers faithful even unto death.

The Bedfordshire won renown in the Retreat from Mons; and the "Green Howards" a splendid regiment from Yorkshire, have been fighting men in the wars of the Empire for two hundred years. The Scottish Rifles were originally Cameronians, who were formed in the dour, hard-bitten, fighting days of the Covenanters. The Border Regiment has been in China before, in 1841, under Sir Hugh Gough, who always took the Chinese on their flank, where they least expected attack, and made mince-meat of them. The Middlesex Regiment are known in the Army as "Die-hards," a name they earned in 1812, in the Peninsula War because they could never be made to accept defeat.

Thus it will be seen that, if the "Shanghai Defence Force" is not formidable in point of numbers, it is at any rate composed of regiments with immortal traditions for valour in the field, and in most cases against overwhelming odds.

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## MYSTERIOUS DOG DISEASE.

### IN ALL PARTS OF ENGLAND.

#### FRENZIED ANIMALS WHO KILL THEMSELVES.

A mysterious disease has been attacking dogs of all breeds all over England and has completely baffled veterinary surgeons.

A London veterinary surgeon told a Press representative that the disease apparently was imported from America about two years ago. It was for some time confined to dogs in Lancashire, Cheshire, and North Wales. Cases also occurred within a radius of 30 miles of Dublin, but recently, dogs all over the country have been affected. There is, he said, no means at present of preventing or treating the disease. Much alarm is felt among dog breeders and owners of packs of hounds.

The disease, which is known as "hysteria," appears suddenly, in dogs of all ages from two months. When attacked they become frenzied with pain and bang their heads against a wall. Many cases have occurred of dogs committing suicide in this way. Their eyes become inflamed and they may also go blind temporarily.

#### Mistaken For Rabies.

Owners have mistaken the disease for rabies and the dogs have been destroyed without investigation. In one case a dog suddenly attacked a man for 10 miles, and was later found in a bog in an exhausted condition. An Alsatian, in the first intensity of the disease, rushed at an iron pump and knocked out all its front teeth.

Post-mortem examination of two affected dogs by a leading bacteriologist of a London hospital produced no clue to the cause of the disease. Sir John McFadyen, principal of the Royal Veterinary College, Great College-street, Camden Town, N.W., is engaged on research with a view to finding the cause.

An East Grinstead resident in consequence of an outbreak of the disease in his kennel of terriers decided to have the infected dogs and those open to infection—22 in number—destroyed.

#### The Late Lord Bearsted.

A number of appreciative notices have appeared in the Press to Lord and Lady Bearsted who died within twenty-four hours of each other and were buried side by side on the same day. Lord Bearsted, who is more widely remembered as Sir Marcus Samuel, once Lord Mayor of London, was head of the Shell Co., and it may be said, quite truly that he did as much as anyone to bring the motor car into general use. As might be expected, there was an enormous crowd of Jews at the funeral, for he was a most liberal benefactor of his race, giving lavishly to Jewish causes, and also to hospitals without regard to class or creed. He was in a sense a self-made man. Born in Whitechapel, his father was a merchant, with a large family, and young Marcus Samuel had to strike out for himself. He devoted his energies to oil, and this led on to fortune.

#### Formidable Opposition.

When he started, however, Lord Bearsted had a formidable task. Already in the field in front of him were such undertakings as the Petroleum Company of Holland and the Standard Oil of the United States, and all the trade of the East was in their hands. But the future oil king worked his way through the defences of these two powerful organisations; he revolutionised the method of transport by substituting the tank steamer for the cans in which the oil had hitherto been transported, and in that way compelled the others to follow his example.

It was Lord Bearsted, too, who by super-human exertions organised the supply of tri-nitro-toluol—commonly known as "T.N.T."—during the war. It is the most necessary factor in creating high explosives, and when we engaged in the struggle we had not the facilities for producing it. He transferred, stone by stone, a great factory that he had already established in Holland and erected it in England, and at once we were put on a level with our better prepared enemies.

H.B.

## THE WEEK'S DIARY.

Settlement Day H.K. Stock Exchange.  
Steamboat Co., annual meeting, noon.  
Sanitary Board meeting, 4.15 p.m.  
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.  
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Annual Inspection of H.K. V.D.C. by G.O.C., Murray Parade Ground, 8 p.m.  
Dinner given by Dr. Lai Chi Hai to H.E. the Governor, Lee Garden.  
Queen's Theatre: "The Mystic."  
World Theatre: "Dulcy."  
Star Theatre: "The Devil's Circus."

Principal Mails:—Outward: Canada, U.S.A., etc., Europe via San Francisco and via Siberia (Shanghai route), 10.30 a.m.; U.S.A., Canada, etc., Europe via San Francisco (West Coast), 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday.  
Annual meeting H.K. Benevolent Society, City Hall, noon.  
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.  
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Dance Display by Miss V. Capell's pupils, Theatre Royal, 5.15 p.m.  
Queen's Theatre: "The Mystic."  
World Theatre: "Dulcy."  
Star Theatre: "The Devil's Circus."

Principal Mails:—Outward: Australia, etc. (Midshipman), 9.30 a.m.; Europe via Marseilles (Demodocur), 9.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Tricer), 4 p.m.

Thursday.  
Annual meeting H.K. and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., noon.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.  
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Philharmonic Society rehearsal (H.M.S. Pinetree), Cathedral Hall, 8.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Wages of Virtue."  
World Theatre: "Midshipman."  
Star Theatre: "The Freshman."

Principal Mails:—Inward: Canada, U.S.A., etc. (Empress of Asia), 10.30 a.m.

Friday.  
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.  
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Organ recital, St. John's Cathedral by Mr. R. Baldwin, 5.45 p.m.

Y.R.C. Annual meeting, 8 p.m.  
St. Andrew's Young Men's Club Social, 8.30 p.m.

Boxing: R.N. and Royal Marine Novices competition, R.N.C. Theatre.  
Queen's Theatre: "Wages of Virtue."

World Theatre: "Midshipman."  
Star Theatre: "The Freshman."

Principal Mails:—Outward: Canada, U.S.A., etc. (Empress of Asia), 10.30 a.m.

Saturday.  
Annual meeting H.K. and Shanghai Bank, City Hall, noon.

Girl Guides rally, Headquarters House; presentation of Prince of Wales Banner by Lady Clementi, 3-4.30 p.m.

Annual Meeting Bank of East Asia, 3.30 p.m.  
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.  
Hotel Savoy tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Football and Cricket: details in Saturday's issue.  
Yachting: Racing Yachts compete for Tai Yui Cup for prize winners.

Association of Past and Present Commercial Students Annual dinner, Great Hall, University, 7.45 p.m.

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Queen's Theatre: "Wages of Virtue."  
World Theatre: "Midshipman."  
Star Theatre: "The Freshman."

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Marseilles (Hakusan Maru), 9.30 a.m.

Sunday.  
Congregation of St. Peter's Church annual meeting, Sailors' Home, W.P., noon.

Yachting: Cruisers re-sail 5th Championship race.

Masonic Service, St. John's Cathedral, 8 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The making of O'Malley."  
World Theatre: "The Wife of the Centaur."  
Star Theatre: "Long Live The King."

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Albert Voegler), 9 p.m.

Monday.  
Annual Race meeting.  
Entries close for H.K. Horticultural Society's annual show.  
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

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## HOME OPINIONS ON CHINA.

### WEAKNESS IN CHINA MEANS DISASTER IN INDIA.

#### WHISPERING GALLERIES OF ASIA.

##### LORD MESTON'S OPINION.

[Lord Meston is one of the most distinguished ex-Indian Civil Servants. He went to India in 1885, and after holding many important positions was India's representative on the War Cabinet in 1917. He was given his peerage in 1919.]

If we Britishers take our pleasures sadly, we compensate by taking our responsibilities lightly. Yesterday morning (January 30th) I asked my companion in the railway carriage what he thought of the situation in China. "Not much," he replied, looking up from his newspaper. "When our fellows get out there, they will soon teach the Chinese to keep in his place. All I know is that, between this and the coal strike, and one confounded thing or another, there will be an extra shilling on to my income tax."

##### Gravity of the Crisis Unrealised.

My friend faithfully represented the majority of us. We in England, except a chosen few, are not really interested in China; it is a long way off; its politics are incomprehensible, and the names of its generals impossible. The gravity of the present crisis has not come home to us.

We have not realised that every blunder, every hesitance, every weakness on our part in China goes ringing down the whispering galleries of Asia and weakening our whole position in the East.

In order to see the situation in its right proportions, let us get rid of non-essentials. The first of these is the Bolshevik element in the disturbances. That influence is, of course, real and very far from negligible; but it is rather an adjunct of the storm than its cause.

These two historical events have left indelible marks in India. Only by degrees, and with infinite patience, are we recovering the ground that they lost for us. If Shanghai were now to fall, the reaction in India might be incalculably serious.

##### Real Trouble.

There is in India a persistent undercurrent of restless, fanatical hatred of the West and all that it implies. It is not an element that can ever be induced to co-operate with us, nor can it ever be appeased by political progress.

Small though it is, it is dangerous beyond all proportion to its size, and it knows no argument except our strength to suppress it. It is constantly on the look-out for any waning of our power in any part of the world; and if Shanghai had to be evacuated, this revolutionary undercurrent would hail it as a sign that our strength has departed, and it would renew its activities accordingly.

Just as India is settling down after the extravagances of the Gandhian era, this revival of trouble would be a sheer disaster.

In the foregoing estimate of the situation nothing has been said about the pan-Asian movements, of which the French Press is always darkly hinting. They are very obscure; and so far they have been mostly effervescent and ineffective, from the pan-Islamic agitation of the old Sultan Abdul Hamid to the Soviet League of Asia which Moscow threatened as a counterblast to the League of Nations at Geneva.

There is little real intercourse, and not much practical sympathy, between the various nations of Asia.

##### New Forces.

But there is no questioning the parallelism of the new forces stirring in India, in Persia, in Arabia, and now in China. They are not unaware of each other's activities, and they greet themselves on each other's successes. The danger of a weak or vacillating policy in China at the moment is sufficiently great, in its reactions on those countries with which we are most closely allied, to reconcile all thinking Englishmen to the measures that are now being taken.

The treaty ports must be safeguarded against the irresponsible anarchy which now prevails around them.

We have to get accustomed to finding this particular poison, and dealing with it, in any tissue that is giving trouble in our body politic.

The second non-essential is the fact that China has grievances against England; why I call this a non-essential will be apparent in a moment. The Chinese undoubtedly have had much to complain of in the past, but the faults, have by no means or always been wholly on our side; and in any case, Sir Austen Chamberlain has shown his usual transparent sincerity and fairness in his offer to negotiate over whatever grievances remain. Yet all this is not what is now in issue.

The immediate issue is entirely different, and it is this. We have definite rights, under treaty with the Chinese Government, to occupy peacefully and for trading purposes certain areas in China. So long as we are there on our legitimate business, we have a right to be protected in our occupation by the Chinese authorities. If they are unable or unwilling to protect us against their own insurgents, we have a right to protect ourselves.

##### "If We Fail—"

If in this task we fail, if Shanghai falls, it will not be Shanghai alone that we shall have lost. Throughout the entire Eastern world one interpretation will be put upon such a catastrophe—namely, that Western civilisation has been defeated by Oriental nationalism.

There is much, as we must all admit, that calls for readjustment in the old relations between Europe and Asia. But during such a readjustment are we going to have an Asia at peace, or an Asia seething with jubilation over our discomfiture?

We have had lessons enough in the past. It was the defeat of the Russian army by Japan in 1904-5 that set adrift the young nationalist movement in India.

Again, it was the rout of Greece by Mustafa Kemal in Smyrna that fanned the smouldering discontent of the Moslem world into a blaze which is still raging.

It enormously enhanced our difficulties with our Indian Mohammedans.

##### LONDON'S CHINESE ON THE "WAR."

##### "ME KNOW NOTHING, VELL SOLLY."

What does the Chinaman in London think about this "war" question?

A *Daily Express* representative, in an endeavour to obtain an answer to this question, visited a Chinese restaurant, a laundry, and the docks.

I went down to the kitchen of the restaurant (he writes) where seven Chinamen were seen dimly through the steam.

One of them shuffled towards me. "War," I said to him, not knowing the language. "War, what about it?"

He shrugged his shoulder. He said something in Chinese. The other Chinamen laugh jocosely; evidently the reply was a Celestial joke, but I shall never know.

##### Too Busy to Bother.

A kitchen boy with a knowledge of pidgin-English, offered to act as interpreter.

"War," I said again. "Ask him what he thinks of the war." "Mee Chinese in Lunnon. Mee come Lunnon work. Mee know nothing of war; mee no make war."

My next informant was a studious-looking young Chinaman.

"I am a patriot," he said. "If I speak to you as a Nationalist, it is not enough. You only get one side. If I speak to you as an Imperialist, you merely get another one-sided view of the situation, and I speak to you as a neutral you get another view entirely!"

##### Bad For Business.

He stopped, and I invited him to speak either as Nationalist, Imperialist, or neutral. But he only smiled as inscrutably as ever. "No, I am sorry, but it would do no good. It might not be good for business!"

I went to Limehouse and tackled Mr. Choy Sing. Mr. Sing carries on a boarding-house. I asked him what he thought of the situation in the East.

That is what Mr. Choy Sing said: "I been in London twenty years; I never go schooling in Lunnon; I know nothing! No business mee do now in this house. You go other Chinese houses in Limehouse, they tell you same—no Chinese. I know nothing. Mee velly 'solly. Good day!"

##### CHINA AND THE TREATIES.

The Government has done well to send reinforcements to China, and the point that conciliatory phrases are given the lie by a division of infantry is thoroughly ill-taken. The Cantonese Government intoxicated by its easy success, requires to be reminded that the arm of Britain is long and that her strength is not fairly represented by the handful of marines who evacuated the Hankow Concession. It is well, too, that Canton should recognise that the interests of Britain are those of Western civilisation in general—a point made clear by the formation of a British force to defend all international settlements. Its dispatch is, indeed, a manifestation of the League of Nations spirit, though it will not be the more appreciated on that account either in Wuhan or in Washington—or possibly even in Moscow, which no longer attempts to disguise its interest in Far Eastern matters.

The end in view is the establishment of conditions under which China and the Western world can do business to the advantage of both. The concession system need not necessarily be maintained. It was at its best an anomalous institution, transported to China from Turkey. Yet it worked well enough in its day. Shanghai was for decades the most remarkable example in the world of real international co-operation, and the Chinese themselves combined with the representatives of the Western world in administering the great port on modern and efficient lines. The experiment may or may not have outlived its usefulness. But at least its usefulness in the past can hardly be denied by Chinese business men. We lay stress on this last point because it is part of the Nationalist case that the Concession system was imposed on a reluctant people by force. Force was once, indeed, the only argument recognised by the corrupt and stupid mandarin of Peking, just as it is now the only argument used by the Nationalist directory. But force did not make Shanghai a great, prosperous, and well-administered city. Its growth has been the product of goodwill. That goodwill still exists, and will be shown to any authority in China which is worthy of it. But it can hardly be extended to a Government whose driving force is simply the old hatred of the foreigner and contempt of the European.—*The Outlook*.

##### THE IRRECONCILABLE MINORITY.

While the country as a whole backs the Government policy of protecting English life and property it just as well to remember that there is a small, irreconcilable and vociferous minority.

The *Daily Herald* states: Every article of the propagandist is being employed to create the impression that throughout China the lives of British men and women are in constant jeopardy. This, although from the beginning of the Nationalist advance until now not a single British life has been lost, though unarmed and unprotected British citizens have been continually in contact with what we are asked to regard as ferocious and fanatical mobs.

The war-talk is beginning. Even the dimly pretext that brigades of infantry and squadrons of cruisers are intended to keep order in the streets of Shanghai is being dropped. The prophecies, freely made, that there would be serious outbreaks in that city during the week-end, have been belied by events. Are all these war preparations merely a foolish and costly attempt to intimidate Mr. Chen? Or are the military and their allies in the Cabinet deliberately attempting to override the civil departments and to push this country into war?

##### "For Chinese Freedom."

The British Labour Council for Chinese Freedom, whose members include Mr. George Hicks (chairman of the T.U.C. General Council), Mr. George Lansbury, M.P., Mr. James Maxton, M.P., has issued a statement as follows: "Until the Government's instructions to its representatives in China have been published its policy can only be judged by its acts, and within the last week it has sent additional warships, marines, and a hospital ship to China. These acts are warlike, and will certainly seem warlike to the Chinese people."

##### OUR STAKE IN CHINA.

The following figures, showing the vast British interests in China, were recently supplied to the *Sunday Express* from an authoritative source:—

Exports and imports trade with Great Britain, £23,500,000 in 1925. Exports and imports trade with the British Empire, £24,000,000 in 1925.

British Empire's China trade, 20 per cent. of the whole of China's trade.

In Shanghai alone £23,500,000 of British capital invested in all forms.

British holdings in Chinese loans not less than £20,000,000.

British money in Chinese railways at least £20,000,000.

British money altogether in China at least £250,000,000, and probably £300,000,000.

##### "THE BEST WE CAN DO."

##### CHINA'S VAST TRADING POSSIBILITIES.

Sir Robert Waley Cohen, the managing director of Shell Transport, makes the following comment:—

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This trade represents the hopes of business men who realise that our right to trade is essential to our existence as a nation.

If this right is in any way curtailed or abrogated in the treaty ports, the effect on the world will be disastrous. After all, we are (Continued on next column).



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Bank Bills, on demand	1,250
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On NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	48 1/2
Credit, at 60 days' sight	50 1/2
On BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	135 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	135 1/2
On CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	135 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	135 1/2
On SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
On YOKOHAMA.—	
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##### MAN WHO SAID TOO MUCH.

"You have done your case harm by revealing that you were a local preacher, for as such you must have known that you were committing a wicked act by deceiving a respectable girl. You would have done better to have left your defence to your counsel."

So said Sir Ernest Wild, the Recorder, at the Old Bailey, in sentencing Ernest Jones Crumbluhme, 51, clerk, to 12 months' imprisonment in the second division for bigamy.

Crumbluhme, in speaking from the dock, had pleaded that he had been a local preacher for 30 years.

only asking for the continuance of conditions which the Chinese themselves initiated. They would not allow us in the past in their cities; but in their wisdom they gave us some desolate mud swamps, and by the aid of their own commercial genius we have turned these flats into magnificent centres of commerce.

We have organised trade, developed transport, financed railways, and taken control of one-third of the shipping between China and foreign countries; we even control one-third of their coastal shipping.

##### Firm Face Needed.

All this money has been invested with a view to trade and upon promises made in the past. The present trouble might perhaps have been avoided two years ago. A firm face then would have shown to our many friends in China that we are still the old British people, ready to deal in a fair, broadminded and reasonable way with every one, but not ready to give way to force, and not capable of being frightened by any acts of violence.

The best we can do now is to show that these characteristics of the British nation must still be reckoned with, and that the assertion of our right to trade is considered by us to be fundamental to our very existence.

##### HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

##### CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

FEBRUARY 21st, 1927.

R. K. Bank	£1,100 buy.
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Mercantile Bank, & Co.	£231 nom.
Do.	£214 buy.
P. & O. Bank	£294 buy.
East Asia Bank	£74 1/2 div. sel.
Canton Insurance	£860 buy.
China Underwriters	£9,900 nom.
Norfolk Union Ins.	£14, 1/4 sel.
Yantai Insurance	£255 buy.
Yangtze Insurance	£38 buy.
China Fire Insurance	£300 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	£415 buy.
Douglases	£314 buy.
Steamboats	£24 sel.
Hong Kong Tugs	£110 nom.
Indo-China (Fr.)	£30 sel.
Do.	£41 buy.
Small Transport	£254 buy.
Star Furnish	£254 buy.
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China Sugars	£22 sel.
Malayan Sugars	£34 nom.
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Kailash Mining Ad.	£30 nom.
Langkat (combined)	£24 nom.
Do. (single)	£12 nom.
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Shanghai Docks	£14, 1/2 nom.
H.K. & S. Hotels	£3 buy, 1/2 sel.
H.K. Lands	£34 buy.
Hong Kong Realty	£34 buy.
H.K. Tramways	£32 sel.
Humphreys & Bates	£121 buy.
Princes Buildings	£39 nom.
Royal Land	£14 sel.
Ever Cottons	£14 nom.
Oriental	£14 nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	£14 nom.
Do. (new)	£14 nom.
China Suez	£14 nom.
H.K. Tramways	£14 nom.
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Taxi	£14 sel.
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Do. (new)	£14 buy.
China Providents	£44 buy, 45 sel.
Constructions	£42.30 buy.
Dairy Farms	£174 buy.
Der A Wings	£8 nom.
Hong Kong Electric	£45 buy, 46 sel.
Macao Electric	£35 nom.
H.K. Bops (old)	£10 sel.
Do. (new)	£5 sel.
Lane Crawfords	£8 nom.
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## GIN DRINKERS' BAY FIGHT.

REVOLVER BATTLE BY POLICE, ROBBERS AND KIDNAPPERS.

FOUR MEN SENTENCED AT SESSIONS.

INSPECTOR ANDREWES COMPLIMENTED BY JUDGE ON CREDITABLE ACTION.

Sub-Inspector Andrewes, and other police officers who participated in the affray at Gin Drinkers' Bay on December 2nd, when there was a revolver fight between the police and alleged robbers and kidnapers, were publicly complimented at the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon by the acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood), when the trial had been concluded and the men sentenced.

The fight in question involved the narrow escape from death of Sub-Inspector Andrewes and Sergeant Goodwin and several Chinese police officers. Several of the robbers were killed.

The Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C. (Attorney-General) conducted the case for the Crown.

The case was a sequel to an attack by six men on the Wah Loong Distillery on the shore of Gin Drinkers' Bay, near Laichikok, on December 2nd.

### The Charges.

There were four prisoners, and they were charged on four counts of attempting to rob and kidnap, and conspiring to rob and kidnap. The first prisoner was further charged with being in unlawful possession of a dagger. The prisoners denied all the charges, and said they were forced at the point of the revolver to help the robbers.

Outlining the circumstances, Sir Joseph Kemp said the incident reflected great credit on the police, both for their bravery and the skillful organisation by which the trap for the robbers was set. In consequence of information, the police arrived at the distillery shortly after six o'clock on the evening of December 2nd. At about ten o'clock, a junk sailed up to a pier, from which some men landed and rapidly approached the building. Six men entered, and Sgt. Goodwin saw two walk past the counter, towards the room in which he was. When the leading man entered the room two sharp reports were heard, and these were followed by others.

### Firing Starts.

The man walked into the room holding a revolver ready. He fired twice, but by great fortune the detonating part acted, but the charge did not and there was no doubt that that saved Sub-Inspector Andrewes' life. Sub-Inspector Andrewes returned the fire, and the man was shot dead.

In the meantime, Sgt. Goodwin shot the second man, who was holding a dagger, and he died in hospital shortly afterwards.

Apparently the other men had gone in the direction of quarters occupied by *jinfa*, intending no doubt to overcome them, while the two who were shot, looked after the master. When they arrived in the quarters, however, they found the police waiting for them and a general fight resulted, in which the police pursued the attackers.

### The Fight.

Sgt. Goodwin found one man in a nish on outside the distillery, and after a revolver duel, killed him. The dead man's revolver was found to contain two discharged cartridges. Another man was found dead outside the gate on the pier. Another man rushed into the sea and started to swim away, and nothing further had been heard of him.

The sixth man, who was the first prisoner, was found lying in a nish by Sgt. Goodwin, who left him for dead, but a Chinese constable, seeing him moving, arrested him with the help of another. This man was found in possession of a dagger, three gags, some wire and a wine-cup, the latter being commonly used for gagging people.

The junk moved off, but was chased by a police launch and stopped after several shots had been fired across its bows. On board were found three men, these being the second, third and fourth prisoners, together with gags, wine-cups, and a coil of wire.

### Question of Conviction.

Dealing with the indictment, Sir Joseph Kemp pointed out that the counts of kidnapping had been put in because as the case developed the jury might come to the conclusion that the object of the attack was to kidnap the owner of the distillery, but he was only asking for a conviction on one of the counts.

In the afternoon the case was concluded.

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## "THE MAN IN THE MASK."

SENTENCED FOR ATTACK ON BUTCHER.

JUDGE'S COMMENT ON A CRIME TOO COMMON.

"I agree with the verdict. You have been convicted of a crime becoming all too common in the Colony; that of waylaying of peaceable men. But for the fact that you are certified as unfit I would be inclined to have you flogged. As it is you will go to prison for three years."

Thus the acting Puisne Judge (Mr. J. H. D. Nihill) addressed a Chinese prisoner with a hair lip and a gold tooth who appeared before him at the Criminal Sessions yesterday charged with robbery with violence. Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith prosecuted for the Crown.

The case in question concerned a pork hawker who was walking in the direction of Tai-po from Tsun Fan on January 23rd, and who was struck by a stone, thrown by "a man in a mask," by whom he was pursued.

Dropping his two baskets, the hawker bolted but was overtaken by the masked robber who had taken possession of a butcher's knife in the forsaken baskets.

The hawker was robbed of over \$13 but he was able to say that through the large eyelet holes in the mask he could see that the robber had a hair lip and a gold tooth. On reporting the matter to the police the latter soon arrested a man answering this description. The man made a statement amounting to a confession but had later stated that this had been forced from him.

Prisoner, in his defence, said it was a case of mistaken identity, and although he admitted seeing the pork butcher on the date in question it was not he (prisoner) who assaulted and robbed him. Prisoner said he heard detectives talking about a man with a broken lip, who was wanted for the robbery, and he hid himself.

Asked why he hid, prisoner replied that there were not so many men in the world with broken lips.

## ANOTHER ARMED ROBBERY AND WOUNDING.

KOWLOON CITY VEGETABLE GROWER VICTIMISED.

A vegetable gardener and Government opium dealer, living in an unnumbered house at Mau Tau Kok, Kowloon City, was the victim of an armed robbery by five men last night.

According to the report available last evening it appears that the robbers, three of whom were armed with knives, entered his dwelling between eight and nine o'clock, and stole about \$28 in money, and also a quantity of jewellery and clothing. The total value of the stolen property is about \$50.

It appears that the victim of the robbery must have put up resistance of some sort, or attempted to raise alarm, for it is reported that he was slightly wounded in the head.

### Forced to Take Part.

The defence of the prisoners was that they were compelled to take part in the affair, at the point of the revolver.

No. 1 prisoner said he came to Hong Kong to try salt to pickle his pigs. He was accosted by robbers who struck him with revolvers and told him where they wanted him to go.

The other three men said they were on legitimate business in a junk, and were accosted by robbers, who told them to sail in the direction of Gin Drinkers' Bay.

No. 2 prisoner, the master of the junk, said he had paid \$50 to a salt merchant in Kowloon. This man was called and agreed that prisoner had had business dealings with him and came to him at the beginning of December last year.

### The Sentences.

The jury found all four prisoners guilty of attempted robbery, and all guilty of attempted kidnapping. They also found No. 1 prisoner guilty of possession of a dagger, but not guilty on other counts.

His Lordship sentenced the prisoners on the charge of attempted robbery and attempted kidnapping to three years' hard labour each, the sentences to run concurrently.

No. 1 prisoner, he sentenced to two years' hard labour for possession of a dagger, this man to serve five years' hard labour in all.

### Creditable Action.

His Lordship called Sub-Inspector Andrewes into the witness-box, and said: "I have asked you to come into the witness-box, although I know full well that all members of the Hong Kong Police Force are accustomed to accepting such work as this has involved as part of their ordinary routine. I think you will allow me to congratulate you, and all the other officers who took part in this matter on the way you faced a great personal risk with credit to yourselves and the police force of the Colony."

The jury associated themselves with his Lordship's remarks.

## MR. CHEN AND HIS FAMILY.

[By T. BEDDARD JACKSON, Who knew Mr. Chen well in his early days.]

The man of the moment in China is certainly Mr. Eugene Chen, a man of undoubted ability and of infinitely patient ambition.

Mr. Chen is supposed to have been educated in Jamaica and at Oxford. But, as a fact, he was never in Jamaica, or at Oxford beyond a possible short visit.

He was born in Trinidad, in the British West Indies, of pure Chinese descent. When I first met him some twenty odd years ago he was a British-born solicitor of the Supreme Court of Trinidad and Tobago, where, as quite a young man, he had already a considerable practice.

He was educated at the Queen's Royal College, Port of Spain. Mr. Chen's perfect English is thus accounted for. At the time I knew him in the West Indies he spoke and wrote French equally well; his worry was that he was not then at all at home in Chinese.

For some time I was in constant association daily and nightly with Mr. Chen, then known as Eugene Bernard Acham.

I formed the impression that he would go very far indeed, given the opportunity; but his ambitions in those days were confined to building up a competency with a view to qualifying as a barrister-at-law, with eventual unofficial membership of our Legislative Council of the Colony, which he thought (with truth) was in great need of new members.

His interests outside were in English and French politics and literature, in which he was extremely well read. He had probably the best library in the West Indies.

Mr. Eugene Chen married a charming coloured creole of Port of Spain, by whom he has two daughters and a son. They have divided their time between Port of Spain and London, taking the name of Acham-Chen. The wife died not very long ago in Port of Spain, where the only son, Mr. Percy Acham-Chen, is practising at the Trinidad Bar and is a very clever Rugby half-back.

The daughters are accomplished dancers—one is a genius—and have appeared on the London stage, but now confine their efforts to appearances for Port of Spain charities.—Daily Mail.

## INTERESTING AVIATION LECTURE.

Flight-Lieut. J. Newall gave an interesting lecture on Aviation at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening before a large and appreciative audience.

He traced the history of aviation from the attempts made by some daring spirits in the twelfth century and coming to modern time, Lieut. Newall said that airplanes are now largely used in surveying and agriculture, as well as for transport. The aerial mail service from a commercial point was a failure and needed a subsidy from the Government.

Lieut. Newall was quite convinced of the advantages of the seaplane which could always make a forced landing more safely than an airplane.

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Rio	54
Brussels	34.87 1/2
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Prague	183.11/18
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## THE DEVIL IN RUSSIA.

TAKES EAGLE FORM.

Shepherds in the neighbourhood of Machak-Kala, in Central Soviet Asia, have gone on strike, declaring that the Devil, appearing in the form of a gigantic eagle, has made their work hazardous. They report that in the course of a few days the eagle killed 42 sheep, carrying off the younger victims.

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MILITARY & POLICE  
CRITICISED.WORKERS' LEADERS  
ANNÓYED.

TROUBLE EXPECTED.

CANTON MERCHANTS' SECRET  
MEETINGS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Madame Sun Yat Sen, whose birthday was remembered recently by many of her comrades in the Kuomintang and friends elsewhere, is asking the press to convey her appreciation to all concerned.

The dispute between the merchants and the workers over the right of employers to dismiss employees could not be settled by arbitration and it will now, therefore, be referred to the Political Commission of the Kuomintang, Canton Branch. In the meantime, the unions have asked all the discharged workers to remain at their former places of employment, assuring those maintaining their ground of all support. About 5,000 workers are directly affected in this dispute.

The Police and the Military in Canton are being adversely criticised by the Workers' Delegate Conference for having assisted in raising the blockade of the shops which the unions were maintaining with the help of pickets and trouble between the Police and the Workers may be expected at any time, unless the Police allow the professional labour leaders once more to take the law into their own hands. Some fighting between workers occurred in Canton on February 19th and 20th, but it was insignificant in comparison with that which took last August and in January this year.

During last few days the Canton merchants have held a number of secret meetings, but no definite information has been given out for publication. It is understood that, apart from the question of their right "to hire or fire" their *fukis* on the second day of the Chinese New Year, the possibility of another general strike by "Red" workers for political purposes was discussed. Some merchants express the opinion that they might as well close and "let the sky turn upside down," if the workers desired it.

The ricksha coolies, having learned the value of organization, are again threatening the motor-bus drivers and intimidating would-be fares. There are now more than 3,000 rickshas in Canton. Before the competition of the motor-bus service, a coolie earned from a dollar to \$1.40 a day.

Chinese women in the Kuomintang will observe March 8th as "Women's Rights Day," and preparations are being made to hold a large political meeting in Canton. Colonel Wong Wai Lung, who was at one time a personal servant of the Dr. Sun Yat Sen and until recently has acted as Chief Aide-de-Camp to the Kuomintang, is now gazetted Adjutant-General, according to advice received from Hankow.

Practically all the delegates of Hong Kong Chinese labour unions who have been attending the conference in Canton have returned home. While in Canton, they completed their arrangements for a All-Hong Kong Chinese General Labour Union, in connection with the Canton unions.

Many Hong Kong Chinese labour delegates have been somewhat embarrassed by Kuomintang press reports that they were in Canton to perfect their plans for an anti-imperialist campaign.

The "Prince" clique now dominating the Canton Municipality will "lose face" unless able to enforce its policy of confiscation against the Canton Water Works Company who are still refusing to hand their plant over to public control. The Company has come into existence under a city charter long ago, and the Board of Directors are unwilling to hand the water works over. Should the Municipality insist seizing the plant, the employees of the Company will, it is said, forcibly resist and they threaten that they will stop the water supply.

DELEGATES FROM  
MOSCOW.

## THE MEETINGS IN CANTON.

EXTRACTS FROM THE  
SPEECHES.

Reference has already been made in the *Daily Press* to the "International Workers' Delegation" now visiting Canton.

The delegates include Tom Mann, who is well known, at any rate by name, to most British residents, Jacques Doriot, who is described as a Communist Deputy in the French Chamber and is said to be known "for his ruthless fight against French imperialism in Morocco" and Earl Browder, "executive member of the Trade Union Educational League in America."

The *Canton Gazette* devotes several columns to the activities of this delegation.

The first visits were paid to the Kwangtung Provincial Government and the Kuomintang Party Committee on February 19th. The Delegation were received very cordially by Mr. Chen Shu Jen, Commissioner of Civil Affairs. The Delegation transmitted to Mr. Chen Shu Jen a telegram of greetings addressed by the Delegates to Marshal Chiang Kai Shek.

In the afternoon of the same day the Delegation visited the Trade Union headquarters and the following labour organizations: the All-China Labour Federation, the Hong Kong Strike Committee, the Canton Workers Assembly and the Hong Kong General Federation. A joint meeting of the representatives of these organizations with the Delegation took place at the headquarters and all the members of the International Workers' Delegation addressed the meeting. The Chinese Labour representatives, it is said, received the delegation most warmly and responded with great enthusiasm when the objects and aims of the Delegation were explained to them.

In the evening of February 19th the Delegation was present at a reception banquet organized by the Provincial Government and the Provincial Committee of the Kuomintang. More than 500 representatives from various departments of the Government, the National Revolutionary Army, the Trade Unions, Pansant organizations, Women's and Students' organizations were present. The Delegation were greeted by representatives of all organizations.

Two or three very short extracts from the speeches made at this dinner will suffice. Tom Mann called upon the Chinese people to go on with the fight to a victorious finish and to drive British imperialism out of China forever. Earl Browder, the American delegate, speaking in the name of the revolutionary workers of America and of the Trade Union Educational League, warned the Chinese people against American imperialism. Behind the mask of friendship displayed by the United States at the present moment, he said, there is the most dangerous and cunning enemy of the Chinese people and of the Chinese Revolution.

Jacques Doriot, speaking in the name of the revolutionary proletariat of France, is said to have revealed the true nature of France's policy in China.

As will be seen the British, American and French delegates all appear to have delighted in maligning their own countries. The Delegates were entertained at the expense of the National Chinese Labour Federation at the Oriental Hotel, and among those who entertained them was Mr. Chen Shih Jen, Commissioner of Civil Affairs in Canton.

POSITION AT  
SWATOW.A SLIGHT CHANGE IN  
TONE.

OFFICIALS MORE FRIENDLY.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

SWATOW, February 18th.

The New Year and Lantern Festivals slipped by, quietly and without incident. Merchants have not yet settled down seriously to business. Some are slowly coming to the surface after their holiday; others are "casting" eyes, full of doubt, at the crossword puzzle which the politicians are trying to solve at Hankow.

The threatened raids on goods of British origin which were to take place in the New Year under the auspices of the Anti-British Boycott Extension Committee seem to have been abandoned—or postponed. This may be due to a little quiet work on the part of those officials here who take their orders from Canton or it may be that the A.B.B.E.C. has been well squared by the merchants concerned. Whatever the explanation all that appears to stand in the way of normal business in British goods and resumption of a normal share in the carrying trade of the port is a widespread and not unreasonable nervousness of the future.

There has been a slight change of tone amongst the various officials, with whom the foreigner has to deal. They are a trifle more amenable and friendly. The Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, who has just returned from Canton, for example, says that "my Government" (the plagiarist!) will put a stop to the continued indiscriminate arrest by the Unions of employees of British firms and residents. How his Government is going to do it is not yet apparent. So far the only reply made by the local Kuomintang to Head Office orders about protecting the foreigner has been "kill the brute" and, as an afterthought, "steal his property."

We may shortly expect to hear of the students again. The schools open in a few days and it is possible that they may take up the anti-Christian cry of their Amoy and Foochow brethren. There is little work and less discipline now-a-days and consequently they have full scope for their prurient attempts at "playing politicians." I hear that the schools formerly under the control of the American Baptist Mission will not be reopened.

YAUMATI ROBBERY  
SEQUEL.

## A CHINESE SENT TO PRISON.

PAWNBROKERS WARNED AT  
CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Before the acting Puisne Judge, Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, a Chinese was charged with committing a robbery with violence, with two or more others, at a house in Temple Street, Yaumati, on December 3rd. Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith prosecuted for the Crown, and the prisoner pleaded guilty.

The prisoner, with others, called at the house in question, and gained admittance on the pretext that they were selling firewood. On entering they produced knives, intimidated the three women occupants, and pried open a cash box and took \$30 in money and jewelry. They then made off, leaving their knives behind them.

The prisoner, who was identified by the complainant, as he had previously sold her firewood, assisted the police to recover the stolen property from pawnshops, but all that was recovered were two rings.

The pawnbrokers in question were questioned by his Lordship yesterday, and were asked to explain how it was that they had accepted articles although a description had been issued by the police.

They replied that the articles were described by the police without the name of the maker and as having a value of \$300, whereas the rings were not worth that.

After sentencing the prisoner to three years' hard labour, his Lordship, addressing the pawnbrokers, said although there did not seem to be evidence of extraordinary carelessness on their part, they ought to understand that the people who brought the rings to them had no right to do so. They must always be prepared to accept a certain amount of loss, as it was a risk incidental to their profession. The rings would be returned to the owner on payment by her of \$5 in respect of each.

## EVACUATION OF WUCHOW.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN SENT  
TO COAST.CANTON'S FAILURE AT  
PROTECTION.

The Southern Government has conspicuously not been able to maintain order in the territory under its jurisdiction. It has permitted wholesale looting of mission properties and acts of violence to be perpetrated against the lives of foreigners in general.

Fearing, therefore, that the horrors perpetrated at other places might eventually be repeated here, in response to urgent letters some of the women and children in the port decided to go to places of safety, and during the past few days have been leaving for the coast, says a *N.C. Daily News* correspondent writing from Wuchow, Kwangsi, on January 31st. Others stationed in the interior are now on their way, and soon with the exception of Wuchow and Nanning, port cities, there will be few Europeans or Americans left in the province.

## Piracy on the West River.

During recent years business on the inland waterway of this province has increased considerably and the number of motor launches plying on the river has consequently multiplied. On Friday afternoon two of these launches which have a daily run from Wuchow to Yungbu market and return, were on their way when they were held up by pirates, some of whom had boarded the launch as passengers. The unarmed passengers could offer no resistance, and it looked as if the robbers would make their haul without any difficulty. But when they were but half through with their job, a Chinese armed launch came down the river and, noticing that the launches were being pirated, they opened fire on the robbers. There was full confusion for a while during which time many of the passengers were shot, while others in alarm jumped overboard and were drowned. Over ten of the pirates were killed and two captured. Only one pirate, it is said, managed to escape. The launches with the dead and wounded on board were towed down to the city where those who had been shot received medical attention at the Stout Memorial Hospital.

NOT A CANTONESE  
AGENCY.THE CHINESE INFORMATION  
BUREAU IN WESTMINSTER.

A Press representative visited Lapley House, 65, Belgrave-road, Westminster, where for the past 18 months the Chinese Information Bureau has been housed, in order to ascertain whether the Bureau has any official connection with the Cantonese Government.

The first arrival at the Bureau was a Chinaman, who definitely stated that the Bureau was not an agency for Mr. Chen, but worked absolutely independently.

"Your Government is not a fool," he said, "and if we were doing anything against your Government we should not be allowed to be here. This Bureau is absolutely non-political, and is supported by a few people interested in China."

"Suppose a man wants to start in business in China and wishes to know something about the climate and conditions out there, we are only too willing to give him all the help we can."

SENTENCE ON BAG-  
SNATCHER.

## PRISON AND THE BIRCH.

PURSUERS THANKED BY  
JUDGE.

At the Criminal Sessions yesterday, a Chinese who snatched a handbag from Mrs. Mayher, of No. 2, Caine Road, while she was walking under a verandah at East View Building, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment and 18 strokes of the birch. The snatcher perpetrated the theft after throwing pepper in his victim's eyes.

The case came before the acting Puisne Judge, Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, and the prisoner pleaded guilty. Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, was for the prosecution.

The bag contained a small purse in which was \$13.45, a pair of spectacles and other articles. When the pepper was thrown in Mrs. Mayher's eyes she fell down, but a boy named Eric Fleming, living in Jordan Road, Kowloon, gave chase. Mr. E. C. Kerrison, a Sanitary Inspector, who was in a barber's shop at the time, heard a scream, ran outside, and chased the runaway overtaking him in Bowring Street, just after he dropped the bag.

His Lordship commended Fleming and Mr. Kerrison for their prompt action.

## TROOP MOVEMENTS.

MINOR CHANGES IN HONG  
KONG ARRANGEMENTS.

The trouble in Shanghai, and the probability that further troops will be sent to the North, may lead to some slight changes being made in the billeting arrangements as published in the *Daily Press* yesterday.

The *Minnesota* with the Base Commandant and Staff, as stated, is expected on Thursday. The Base Commandant takes the place of the former Brigadier-General and, as his title implies, he has charge of all details at the military base. Colonel H. de C. Martelli, D.S.O., is the officer appointed to this position and upon his arrival in Hong Kong he will naturally take control of all plans for billeting the troops.

ENTERTAINING THE  
TROOPS.

## THE PART OF THE Y.M.C.A.

## AN APPEAL TO RESIDENTS.

In connection with the expected arrival of two Brigades of Troops, we mentioned yesterday the part which the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, is playing with regard to the entertaining of these men. Premises have been secured near the Ferry on the Hong Kong side, and also a godown in Peking Road, loaned by the Wharf and Godown Company. These will be turned into reading and writing rooms, tea rooms, etc.

The acquisition of these premises is, however, only a beginning, and the co-operation of residents is asked for by the Y.M.C.A., so that the premises may be adequately fitted out and "provisioned."

The Y.M.C.A. will be grateful for the loan or gift of the following equipment for the use of the Service men in the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.'s being opened in Hong-kong and Kowloon:

Table for reading and writing, chairs, playing cards, dominoes, draughts, gramophones and records, music, table clothes (white and coloured), tea clothes, bright pictures, magazines and papers, books for library, plants, towels.

Equipment will be gladly received at Queen's Building (Chater Road and Lee House Street corner) and at the Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, every morning from 10 to 12.30, commencing to-day.

## Recital for Funds.

In addition, there will be Y.M.C.A. centres in other parts of Kowloon, and further details of these will be available in a few days.

The proceeds of a recital to be given at the Helena May Institute on March 3rd at 5.30 p.m. will be devoted to the Y.M.C.A. fund for the entertainment of the troops. This recital will be given by Miss Nora Moon, the distinguished soprano, who will be assisted by Miss Vera Godson (violin) and Mr. Aubrey Bowes-Smith at the piano.

## THE NAVY ON THE MARCH.

YESTERDAY'S IMPRESSIVE  
TURN OUT.

## 1,500 MEN ON PARADE.

People in Hong Kong agreed that they had seldom seen a finer body of men than those, drawn from all the Naval ships in the harbour, who marched through the City yesterday morning.

The Naval ratings and Marines accompanied by two bands, numbered 1,500 and were in full landing equipment. They had with them machine guns and Lewis guns and they marched with fixed bayonets.

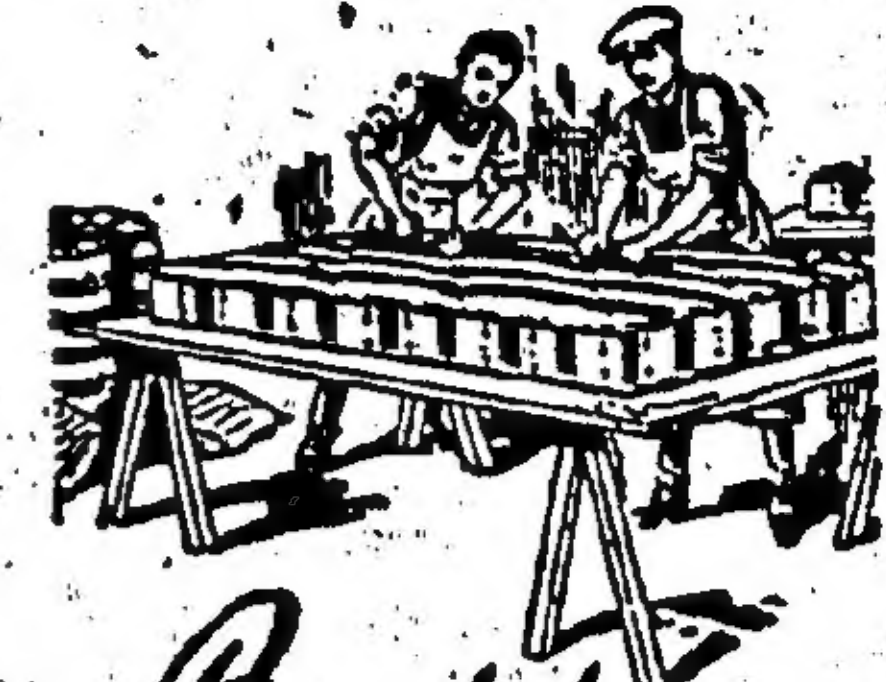
Their route was along Queen's Road to the Western district and concluded at the Cenotaph, where a salute was taken by Admiral Boyle, the Commander of the 1st Cruiser Squadron, Lady Clementi and many naval officers were amongst the large gathering. The men later returned to their ships from Murray Pier.

## To-night's Parade.

There will be another impressive parade this evening, when the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps will be inspected by H.E. the General Officer Commanding the South China Command (Major-General C. O. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.) on the Murray Parade ground at 8 o'clock. Judging by their smart appearance on their final practice parade last evening at Volunteer Headquarters, the turn out will be well worth seeing, and there should be a large attendance if the weather is fine.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC.

**TENDERS FOR SPECIES AND MEXICAN DOLLARS** current in this Colony, for Telegraphic Transfer, on the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927, at 11 o'clock A.M., will be received by the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, COMMAND PAY OFFICE, until 11 o'clock A.M., on the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927.

The Tenders to state the Total Amount (in Pounds Sterling) No Telegraphic Transfer will be made for less than £100. The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in Sealed Covers, addressed to the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, COMMAND PAY OFFICE, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

"Persons tendering for (Bills) are hereby notified that, having regard to the provisions of the Act 33 George III, Cap. 45 and 41, George III, Cap. 52, the acceptance of any such Tender is subject to the express condition that no Member of the British House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part in or to any benefit to arise from the Contract thereby made for the allotment of such (Bills)."

"The provisions in question do not apply to contracts entered into by any incorporated Company in its corporate capacity and made for the general benefit of the Company."

H. G. RILEY, Lieut. Colonel, Treasury Chest Officer, R.A.P.C. His Majesty's Treasury Office, Hong Kong, 21st February, 1927. [4589]

## CYNDETHAS DEWI SANT (HONG KONG).

(St. David's Society, Hong Kong).

**THE ANNUAL DINNER** of the Society will take place at the HOTEL SAVOY on TUESDAY, MARCH 1st, 1927, at 7.45 p.m. Tickets \$5.00 each. Members are invited to attend and bring guests and are requested to inform the undersigned as soon as possible of the Number Names and addresses of their guests and to forward at the same time the Cost of the Tickets.

G. S. HUGH-JONES, Hon. Secretary, 9, Queen's Road Central. [4546]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**THE** undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, the 27th, 28th and 1st MARCH, 1927,

at H.M. NAVAL YARD, HONG KONG, AND AT KOWLOON NAVAL DEPOT, COMMENCING EACH DAY AT 9.30 A.M. WITH AN INTERVAL FROM 12 NOON TO 1.30 P.M.

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LAMMETH BROTHERS, By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty.

Hong Kong, 10th February, 1927. [4586]

## INTIMATIONS.

## NOTICE.

**MRS. LUARD** will be very grateful to Anyone who has any Books or Magazines to Spare if they will send them to her at HEADQUARTER HOUSE for the Use of the Troops shortly arriving in the Colony. [4578]

## BY ORDER OF THE FIRST MORTGAGEE.

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OR TO—

Mr. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA, Auctioneer, No. 4, DUNDRELL STREET, HONG KONG, Dated the 9th day of February, 1927. [4533]

## BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE

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OR TO—

Mr. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA, Auctioneer, No. 4, DUNDRELL STREET, HONG KONG, Dated the 11th day of February, 1927. [4545]

## BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 44, Des Vaux Road, on TUESDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1927, to TUESDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1927, both days inclusive, during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 27th January, 1927. [4588]

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, 1927, to THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, F. H. CRAPPELL, Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 16th, 1927. [4515]

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## NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, Des Vaux Road CENTRAL, at 3.30 P.M., SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25th 1927, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1927, to SATURDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1927, (both days inclusive), during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 11th February, 1927. [4548]

## HONG KONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the HALL, HONG KONG, on SATURDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1926.

The REGISTER OF SHARES OF THE CORPORATION will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 14th FEBRUARY, 1927, to SATURDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY, 1927 (both days inclusive), during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, A. H. BARLOW, Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th February, 1927. [4524]

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, P. & O. BUILDING, on SATURDAY, 5th MARCH, 1927, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st FEBRUARY to 5th MARCH, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd. Agents.

Hong Kong, 12th February, 1927. [4564]

## HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs. JAMES MATHISON & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 7th DAY OF MARCH, 1927, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, to transact the Ordinary Business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS OF the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, to MONDAY, 7th MARCH, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, W. F. SIMMONS, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th February, 1927. [4552]

## INTIMATIONS.

## THE HONG KONG, CANTON &amp; MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 44, Des Vaux Road, on TUESDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1927, to TUESDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1927, both days inclusive, during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 27th January, 1927. [4588]

## THE HONG KONG &amp; KOWLOON WHARF &amp; GODOWN CO., LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. JAMES MATHISON & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the Year ended December 31st, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, 1927, to THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, F. H. CRAPPELL, Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 16th, 1927. [4515]

## BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

## NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, Des Vaux Road CENTRAL, at 3.30 P.M., SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25th 1927, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1927, to SATURDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1927, (both days inclusive), during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 11th February, 1927. [4548]

## HONG KONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

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Hong Kong, 7th February, 1927. [4524]

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By Order of the Board, W. F. SIMMONS, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th February, 1927. [4552]

## INTIMATIONS.

## HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## DERBY SWEEP.

THE Non-Selling Lottery on "THE HONGKONG DERBY" will be Drawn in the HONGKONG CLUB STAND at the RACE COURSE on SATURDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1927, at 3 P.M.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 18th February, 1927. [4587]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## RACE MEETING, 1927.

27th FEBRUARY, 1st, 2nd & 5th MARCH.

## MEMBERS' BADGES.

MEMBERS' BADGES OF AD-MISSION are now ready and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from MESSRS. LINSTED & DAVIS, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the EXTRA RACE MEETINGS of this Year.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing Two Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of Tickets are available and may be obtained from MESSRS. LINSTED & DAVIS, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, on or before SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26th, 1927, at Cost of \$10.00 Each Per Day or \$30.00 for the Meeting.

The Charge for Admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4.00 Per Day. Each Member can obtain upon application to the SECRETARY, Badges for the Admission of Two Ladies Free of Charge. On no pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the First Three Days Racing.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure: Price \$3.00 Per Day for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LTD. or at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 Per Day.

## SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to MESSRS. LINSTED & DAVIS, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to endorse their Names on the Passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their Employers' Stands.

Any Persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

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## THE DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL, HONG KONG.

## NEXT Term will begin on TUESDAY, MARCH 1st, 1927, at 9 A.M. Boys will attend on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28th, 1927, at 9 A.M.

The Rev. W. T. FEATHERSTONE, M.A. (Oxon.), Headmaster.

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## NOTICE.

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Hong Kong, January 16th, 1927. [4441]

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## THE GENERAL STRIKE AT SHANGHAI.

108,000 WORKERS, MAINLY FROM THE COTTON MILLS, AFFECTED.

STONE-THROWING AT FOREIGNERS.

POLICE COPE SUCCESSFULLY WITH THE SITUATION.

SUFFOLKS ARRIVE: ALSO JAPANESE WARSHIPS AND 300 MARINES: OTHER WARSHIPS EXPECTED.

The situation at Shanghai is reported as being "not much changed" and "quiet," though 108,000 persons, mainly from the cotton mills, are on strike.

Some stone-throwing at foreigners was indulged in, but the police appear to have coped effectually with the situation.

The Suffolk has arrived, and complete the Indian Brigade. A Japanese cruiser and four destroyers with 300 marines have been added to the fleet in the Whangpoo River, while several other warships are due to arrive shortly.

In the Native City, Marshal Sun's subordinate officials are dealing with agitators in a very drastic manner.

## THE STRIKE SITUATION. "REIGN OF TERROR" IN THE NATIVE CITY.

"NOT MUCH CHANGED."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21st. The strike situation to-night is not much changed. The strikers number 108,000 and are mostly of the cotton mills.

## MORE TROOPS AND WARSHIPS FOR SHANGHAI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21st. The Suffolk has arrived. They complete the Indian Brigade.

A Japanese cruiser and four destroyers have arrived with 300 marines. Three American destroyers are due very shortly from Manila while the transport *Chamorro*, carrying 1,200 marines from San Diego, are due on the 24th instant. The cruiser *Hulbert* is proceeding to Hong Kong from Manila.

## MANY STRIKERS RETURN TO WORK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, February 21st. 12,500 female millworkers have resumed work; also the large Chinese stores (Sincere Co., Wang On Co., and Sun Sun Co.) in Wang King Road. On the other hand, 4,000 employees in China's Commercial Press have walked out, while the Chinese newspapers have suspended, allegedly owing to the strike but, it is believed, because of the fear that their news comments may incur the displeasure of the authorities on the one hand and of strikers on the other.

The attempts to call out the stallholders of markets in the Settlement hitherto have met with very little success. The buses as well as the trams in the International Settlement are gradually resuming work. The most serious public utility breakdown is the postal service. All the Post Offices are closed and the main building is still picketed by strikers who are preventing the clerks from working. The steady drizzle of rain promises to keep down demonstrations.

## NORTH VERSUS SOUTH.

"NO COMPROMISE WITH THE SOUTHERNERS."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, Feb. 21st. Yang Yu Ting, interviewed by Reuter and other correspondents, this afternoon, emphatically declared that there could be no compromise with the Southerners till the Russian Bolsheviks were eliminated. If the Southerners attacked Shanghai, the Northerners would defend it. The Fengtienites and Cantonese would inevitably clash very shortly in Honan, Kiangsu and Anhui.

## MARSHAL SUN AND THE AGITATORS.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21st. Marshal Sun has ordered Li Pao Chang, the Defence Commander at Shanghai, to take strict vigilance on the movements those now joining the general strike. It is reported that a number of strikers who are alleged to have enticed or intimidated others to strike, have been arrested and executed. For a similar crime, two tramway strikers were beheaded on the 19th inst., and two student agitators and five strikers were also beheaded the next day. Some thirty who were haranguing the crowds and distributing circulars to stir up trouble have been arrested.

Thirty Executed. Fully thirty of the strikers have been beheaded as agitators.

## CHINA'S CIVIL WARFARE.

KUOMINTANG FORCES ADVANCING TO KASHING.

SUN'S TROOPS PREPARING FOR A "LAST STAND."

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

CANTON, Feb. 21st. The Kuomintang forces, after capturing Hangchow, are advancing with General Pak Sung Chi's troops as vanguards to Kashing, where Marshal Sun's retreating troops are concentrating. It is reported that the defeated troops under General Mang Chao Yuet and Chow Yam Jen, both of whom are Marshal Sun's subordinates, are directing the Chekiang engagement and are preparing to retreat to Lungwha, near Shanghai, to offer a last resistance.

## MARSHAL SUN'S STRATEGY.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21st. Marshal Sun Chuan Fang has telegraphically reported to the Peking Government to the effect that the allied forces (Sun's troops) have evacuated Hangchow and are concentrating at Kashing, which he considers is a far better strategic point to check the advance of the Southerners than at Yuhang or other points near Hangchow.

On the right wing, he said that he is despatching 20,000 reinforcements to Changning at the extreme north-west of Chekiang, which is equally important with Kashing as the gateway leading to the heart of Kiangsu province.

## PEKING'S CABINET.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 21st. A report from Peking states that the Peking Cabinet is contemplating resignation en bloc.

## STATEMENT TO BE MADE IN THE COMMONS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

It is expected that a statement will be made in the House of Commons this afternoon by Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Chinese Crowds and Stone-Throwing.

SHANGHAI, February 20th. Some sporadic disturbances occurred to-day, for example, Chinese factory children and loafers this evening threw stones into an enclosure where twenty British signalers and some Punjabi were billeted, and broke down a bamboo fence. Police detachments dispersed the crowds who took refuge in alleyways and stoned the police. However, there were no casualties.

At a Japanese cotton mill in the International Settlement, intimidators prevented employees from working and stoned the premises. The police dispersed the crowd without difficulty and the damage was negligible. There were no casualties.

## BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.

Native City, International and French Settlements Affected.

[REUTERS' AGENCY.]

Reuter, February 20th. A strike movement, which was not unexpected, began in Shanghai on Saturday.

A strikers' manifesto states that action is in celebration of the Cantonese Nationalists' victory coupled with a desire to depose Marshal Sun Chuan Fang.

The Chinese City and French Concession are affected as well as the International Settlement. All the cotton operatives have joined the strike, together with a large portion of general service employees including Chinese postal workers, but little disorder has occurred. The workers say they have struck on the instructions of the General Labour Union. General services are being maintained in the International Settlement by volunteers.

Press telegraphs report the arrival in the Shanghai outskirts of crowds of disorganised soldiery. It is considered probable that Marshal Sun Chuan Fang may attempt another stand between Hangchow and Shanghai, but reports of the movements of the defeated forces are obscure and contradictory.

## NAVAL WIRELESS.

Stone-Throwing at Foreigners.

Several foreigners walking in the streets have been subjected to stone-throwing, but otherwise the situation is quiet.

## NAVAL WIRELESS.

Soviet Plane at Kiukiang.

Kiukiang, February 20th. Wounded are beginning to arrive from river.

A Soviet aeroplane has reached here.

## THE NICARAGUAN WARFARE.

FURTHER U.S. BLUEJACKETS LANDED.

[THROUGH AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Corinto, Nicaragua, Feb. 21st. 810 American blue-jackets have been landed, of whom 400 were posted at Leon, 300 at Chinandega, while others were scattered along the railway to guard the permanent way, bridges and water tanks.

Admiral Latimer emphasises that the landing is merely a continuance of the policy of protecting the lives and investments of foreigners, and is nowise a step towards intervention.

## U.S. Government's Determination.

WASHINGTON, February 21st. It is announced that the State Department's decision to land additional naval forces in Nicaragua was taken with the full consent and approval of the Nicaraguan Government. The opinion here is that that this fresh landing indicates that the Government is determined to permit of no interruption of traffic in the factious fighting for the possession of towns, where Americans and foreigners are engaged in business.

## THE SOUTH AFRICAN SETTLEMENT BILL.

BANDHI PLEASED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New Delhi, Feb. 21st. The South African Settlement Bill, tabled in both Houses by the South African Government, recognises domiciled Indians who are prepared to conform to western standards should be enabled to do so while others can avail themselves of the offer of assisted emigration subject to the condition that three years' absence ends their domicile.

The South African Government recognises the obligation of education for the Indian community with expansion to a native college, and appoints a Commission to investigate the conditions. The Government spokesman in the Assembly said that the Government of India would ratify the Agreement, which was very satisfactory.

Gandhi, informed Reuter that the agreement was the best possible, and had transformed the atmosphere of South Africa from remorseless hostility to generous toleration.

## U.S. NEUTRALITY LAWS. A GENERAL CONVICTED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Los Angeles, Feb. 20th. General Enrique Estrada and twelve of his followers, who were arrested on August 15th last on a charge of attempting the armed invasion of Northern Mexico from the United States has been convicted of violating the United States' neutrality laws by engaging in revolutionary activities against Mexico.

## SIKH AND MOSLEM DISTURBANCES.

LIVELY HAPPENINGS FOLLOW A SIKH PROCESSION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Bombay, February 21st. As the result of the Sikh and Moslem disturbances, while a Sikh procession was passing a Mosque, armed police, who were called out, fired on the mob on January 1st. A Sikh and Hindu died of their injuries during the rioting. One Moslem was killed in the firing and 21 injured, including 6 constables. One Moslem was arrested and order was restored.

## SPANISH AFFAIRS. CHANGE AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MADRID, February 21st. Senor Yanguas, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has resigned, and General De Rivera has assumed the post folio.

## PINEDO'S FLIGHT. MACHINE OVER-WEIGHTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Rome, February 20th. The Marquis De Pinedo was unable to take off from Porto Praia last evening, owing to his machine being over-weighted.

## Another Big Feat.

The Uruguayan aviator, Iarra Bordes, has left for Malaga (south of Spain), which is the first stage of an attempt to fly to South America.

## SUN FO RETURNING TO CANTON.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

Canton, Feb. 21st. It is reported that Sun Fo will return to Canton within a few days for the purpose of consulting the high Kuomintang officials in Canton on important matters.

## THE EARTHQUAKE IN SOUTH EUROPE.

CAUSES TEMPESTUOUS SEAS.

BRITISH DESTROYERS HAVE ANXIOUS TIME.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CAIRO, February 20th. The earthquake in Herzegovina and Dalmatia, reported last week, apparently extended far out to sea, as ships after passing the Straits of Messina encountered convulsive seas clearly indicating undersea upheavals.

Destroyers on their way to China had anxiously to negotiate tempestuous seas which were constantly sweeping the decks. Huge waves were dashing from opposite directions. A large passenger liner standing high up from the water had her top decks swept, the waves partially carrying away the bulwarks.

Simultaneously very heavy seas were experienced on the Egyptian coast, the liner *Adriatic* being forced to remain outside Alexandria storm-tossed for two days before she was able to enter port, while the cruiser *Danville*, entering Port Said on February 15th, was so heavily swept that the sailors below hurried on deck owing to the rush of water.

## STORMY WEATHER IN THE ATLANTIC.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, February 21st. Gale and very high tides caused considerable damage on the New Jersey and New England coast. A coastguard and patrol boat was wrecked off Province Town and the entire crew of nine lost.

## Many Dead and Much Damage.

New York, January 21st. Over a score of persons are dead and \$3,000,000 damage has been done by the terrific storm on the Atlantic coast. The wind was 80 miles an hour, while the sea was lashed with fury, with mountainous waves and an extraordinary high tide. The storm created havoc on the seaboard. Hundreds, aboard small craft in the bays and harbours near here, were rescued, at the greatest peril, by the rescuers. Many of the low-lying suburbs in such parts as Staten Island have been flooded while the traffic on Long Island Sound has been completely disorganised.

## THE NORTHERN DEFEAT.

HOW THE NEWS CAME TO SHANGHAI.

DETAILS OF THE FIGHTING.

The rumours of a reverse for Marshal Sun Chuan Fang's troops in Chekiang gathered thick and strong all day yesterday, says the *N.Y. Daily News* of February 20th. A reliable news from Hangchow is scarce and while it appears fairly certain that Marshal Sun has received a set-back, the nature of it as of the position generally is very uncertain.

The following reports appear to be fairly trustworthy. Marshal Sun Chuan Fang's troops have been unable to maintain their position in central and western Chekiang and have retreated in the general direction of Hangchow and Huchow.

Officials and residents of Hangchow have been leaving that city, whatever means were available up to the time of the cessation of railway traffic.

Kuomintang officials and sympathisers in Shanghai have no direct information from General Ho Ying Ching and know nothing of his whereabouts nor have they any direct information that the troops attacking Marshal Sun Chuan Fang are Nationalist troops and are not mutineers in the Marshal's army. There have been no direct communications with them and most of the reports with regard to Nationalist troop movements in Chekiang arise from a source which is well-known and utterly irresponsible.

A Summary of Events.

These reports may be given for what they are worth: General Ho's troops, coming up from Fukien, according to this source, have made a surprise movement and have captured Wenchow. They are also said to be attacking Ningpo and to have driven the Ningpo defenders into the sea—which is not exactly believable. They are further said to be now encircling Hangchow and, it is added, "will soon take the city."

From a usually authoritative source, the opposing troops are attacking Marshal Sun's army approximately fifteen miles from Zakou.

It is frankly stated in Ankuochun circles that Marshal Chang Chung Chang's troops (the Shanghai, i.e., anti-Red General) are to be expected in this vicinity within a few days. Marshal Sun's generals at the front having requested that they should be invited to strengthen the Chekiang front.

Marshal Sun's field headquarters are said to be now at Kashing. The entire train service on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway has been suspended through numerous (Continued on next column).

## THE HANKOW AGREEMENT.

BRITISH MUNICIPALITY TO BE DISSOLVED ON MARCH 15TH.

PROPOSED AMALGAMATION OF BRITISH, FRENCH, JAPANESE AND EX-RUSSIAN AND EX-GERMAN CONCESSIONS.

NOTES INTERCHANGED BY MR. EUGENE CHEN AND MR. O'MALLEY.

SIMILAR AGREEMENT TO BE MADE REGARDING KIUKIANG.

The text of the Agreement signed by Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Eugene Chen at Hankow at 7 o'clock on Saturday evening, and the notes interchanged by the parties, were circulated by the Hong Kong Authorities yesterday morning.

The Chinese will continue to control the British Concession until March 15th when the annual general meeting of ratepayers will be called. The British Municipality will then be dissolved and the Concession formally handed over to a new Chinese Municipality. The regulations under which the Chinese Municipality will function have not yet been made public. It is the intention of the Nationalists to negotiate for the amalgamation of the British, French, Japanese and the ex-Russian and ex-German Concessions into one unified Municipal district. Presumably, for this purpose, they will deal with the Japanese and the French direct and will open conferences with them on the same lines as the one conducted with Mr. O'Malley.

A settlement on similar lines to that made by the British in Hankow will be concluded with the Nationalists regarding Kiukiang.

## HANKOW AGREEMENT.

The Agreement relative to the British Concession at Hankow is as follows:

"The proper British Authorities will summon the Annual General Meeting of ratepayers in accordance with the Land Regulations on March 15th. The British Municipality will thereupon be dissolved and the administration of the Concession area will be formally handed over to the new Chinese Municipality. Pending the handing over to the new Chinese Municipality on March 15th the policing of the Concession and the management of the public works and sanitation will be conducted by the Chinese Authorities now in charge thereof.

The Nationalist Government will upon the dissolution of the British Council forthwith set up a special Chinese Municipality modelled on that of the special Administrative District for the administration of the Concession area under regulations which will be communicated to H.B.M. Minister by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Nationalist Government. These regulations will remain in force until such time as arrangements have been negotiated for the amalgamation of the Five Hankow Concessions and former Concessions into one unified Municipal District.

## KIUKIANG.

A settlement on similar lines to that concluded in the case of the Hankow Concession will immediately be made in the case of the Concession at Kiukiang. If any direct losses due to the action or culpable negligence of the Agents of the Nationalist Government were suffered by British subjects during the recent disturbances at Kiukiang such losses will be compensated by the Nationalist Government.

## INTERCHANGE OF NOTES.

From Mr. Eugene Chen to Mr. O'Malley:

"I have the honour to communicate to you the regulations which the Nationalist Government will promulgate for the administration of the British Concession area at Hankow."

(These regulations have not yet been made public.)

From Mr. O'Malley to Mr. Eugene Chen:

"I have the honour to assure you that the British Authorities concerned will do all that lies in their power to implement and ensure the successful operation of the Agreement signed to-day relative to the British Concession area at Hankow."

## HOW IT HAPPENED.

COMMENCED BY A NIGHT ATTACK—CENTRE DRIVEN IN.

The following is the only connected story of the happenings beyond Hangchow received to date, says the same newspaper, and is published for information, but with the usual reserve:—

HANGCHOW, Feb. 17th. Marshal Sun Chuan Fang's army had concentrated its main force in the region along the main stream of the Chientang, but the Southern

troop trains are running, several leaving Shanghai yesterday morning. An attempt was made by the traffic department of the Shanghai Railway Administration to dispatch a train towards Hangchow, but it met with no success and had to be brought back.

Army, on the night of the 14th, suddenly made an onslaught on the right wing of Marshal Sun's Army in the region of Linan 20 miles west of Hangchow, with the consequence that the 14th Division of Marshal Sun's army, stationed in that region, retreated towards Yuhang. General Sun's troops, stationed in the region of Chuki were also attacked by the Southerners yesterday and retreated to Linpu, opposite Hangchow. In these circumstances, the central force of Marshal Sun's Army was compelled to beat a retreat.

General Meng Shao Yu concentrated the whole of Marshal Sun's forces in the sector between Tuiyang and Yuhang in an attempt to check the advance of the Southerners, but in vain. General Meng evacuated his General Headquarters at Hangchow for Kashing to-day, while his troops are now retreating towards Sungkiang and Kashing.—Toho.

## NATIONALIST POLICY.

ALL QUESTIONS TO BE SETTLED BY NEGOTIATIONS.

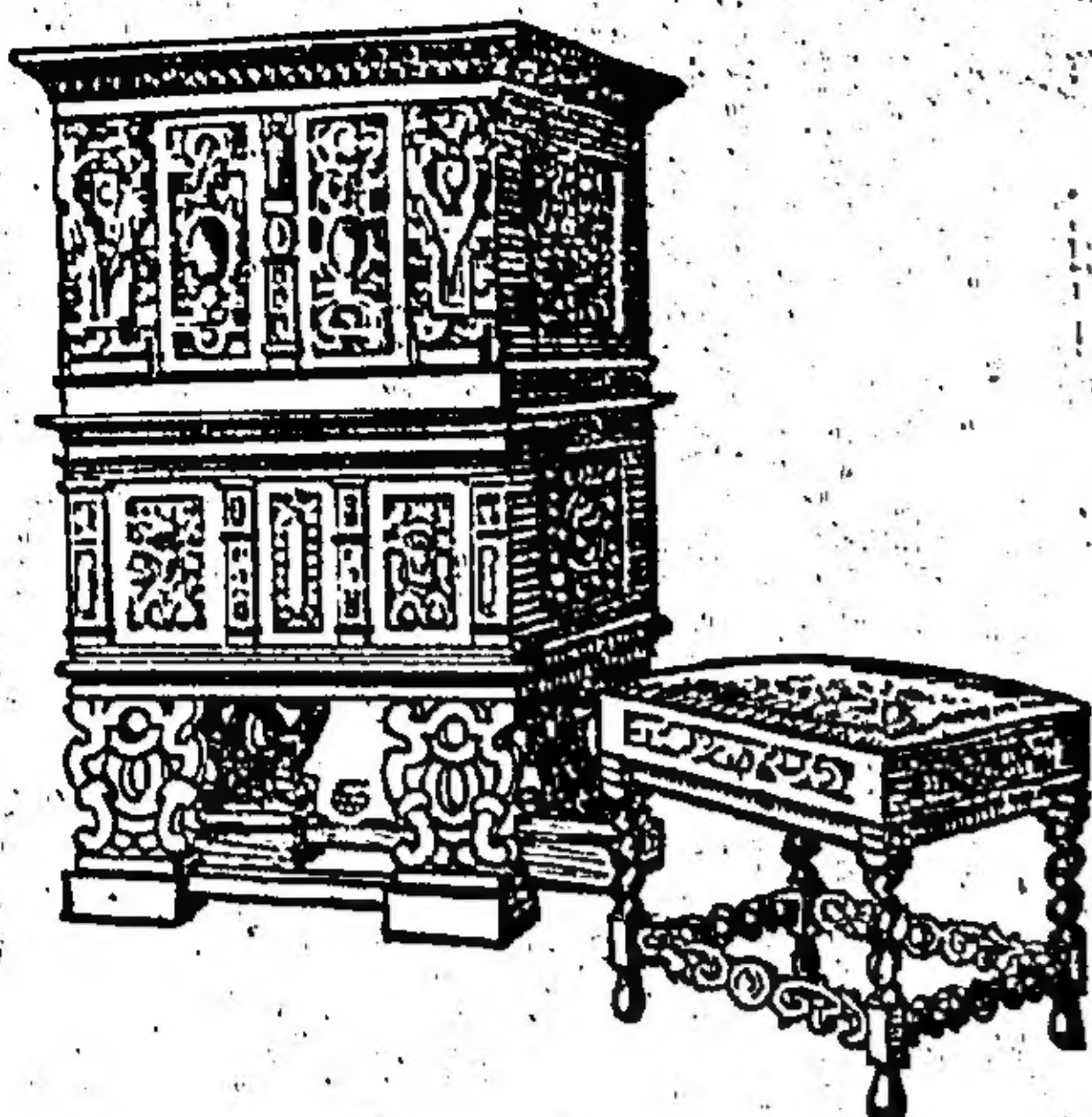
The following statement of Nationalist Policy was made by Mr. Eugene Chen:—

"Reports reaching the Nationalist Government from many quarters appear to make a restatement of Nationalist policy regarding Concessions and International Settlements necessary and timely in order to avoid misapprehension and prevent needless apprehension and fear."

"In the manifesto of January 22nd the Nationalist Government declared their intention and their immediate readiness to have all questions outstanding between Nationalist China and the Foreign Powers settled by negotiation and agreement. This implicitly applied and it was intended to apply to changes in the status of all Concessions and all International Settlements in China."

"This necessarily means that the policy of the Nationalist Government is not to use force or to countenance the use of force to effect changes in the status of any or all Concessions and International Settlements. The Nationalist Government have to lay it down that changes in the status of Concessions and International Settlements wherever situated in China are of such vital and national importance that no local Nationalist Government can negotiate with the Foreign Powers concerned in respect thereof."





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## RUSSIAN DANCER'S FATE.

FELLOW COUNTRYMAN UNDER ARREST.

### CURIOUS FEATURES OF THE SHANGHAI MYSTERY.

M. P. Parshchokoff, a Russian constable in the employ of the Shanghai Municipal Police, was arrested at the Gordon Road Police Station at about three o'clock last Wednesday afternoon, in connection with the death of Klavais (Clara) Belova, the beautiful young Russian, whose body was found in a creek off Great Western early the previous Sunday morning.

Accused, when apprehended by Comrades, said, "I am surprised. I know nothing of what has happened. I don't know why I am arrested." After that, Parshchokoff was taken to Hongkew Police Station, interrogated, and removed to the Amoy Road Gaol, where he is now detained.

Parshchokoff, who is about 30 years of age and about five feet ten inches tall, was formerly a wrestler, and had been a member of the police for about two years.

When informed that he was under arrest and formally warned, Parshchokoff offered no resistance but denied the charge, saying that, on Sunday night, he went to bed at eight o'clock.

It appears from police investigations that Parshchokoff went off duty at 7.30 p.m. on Sunday and returned at eight o'clock on the following morning. His room companion, when questioned by the police, said that accused went out and came back at 11.30 p.m. in evening dress.

#### The Plaster Casts.

Investigations revealed that Parshchokoff owned a motor car, a closed Cleveland five seater. The tyres of this were said to correspond with the plaster cast impressions of the tyre marks found near the spot where the dead woman was found, which were taken by Chief Detective Inspector Peck. Close examination of the interior of the car, showed that about 18 inches of the upholstery of the car had been cut out, together with a big piece of the plush seat. Inside the car was found a man's glove which is said to bear stains.

Minute inquiries were made of accused's effects and the police found his overcoat on which it is believed there had been stains the nature of which will have to be investigated.

#### Motor Car Movements.

The police learned that accused had sold the car to a Japanese but, when the buyer was unable to put up the money, he sent it to a garage in Avenue Edward VII, whence it was taken on Sunday by accused.

At the post-mortem examination on the deceased woman it was shown that she was shot with a .25 calibre automatic pistol. No pistol of this size was found about accused.

The prisoner is alleged to have met the deceased at some time between seven o'clock on Sunday night and 9.30, intimating to her that a party of four would be going out for dinner that night. Whether this party actually met is not known but there is evidence to show that he alone returned to his quarters before midnight of the day in question—it was 11.30 p.m. when he returned to Hongkew Police Station.

The car, which is of American make, a Cleveland sedan, was identified by the police as being similar to that which carried the three tyres the imprints of which were left on Great Western Road after the body was found, being the same

in type as the pattern which they have in their possession, a diagonal mark, a circular auction type and an odd semi-circular type which could not be identified.

#### The Mysterious Mischance.

Other information shows that a person by the name of Mischance telephoned deceased before dinner on Sunday. It is not known that she left her room before 8.30 p.m., although it is believed that, about this time, she, in company with some person, left her residence at 79, Route Vallon, house No. 6.

#### Considerable Jewellery.

According to police investigations deceased had considerable jewellery, the whereabouts of which have not been ascertained. At times she has offered persons jewellery for sale at ridiculously cheap prices. It is not indicated, that deceased was in immediate need of funds, but officials are of the opinion that the motive for the alleged murder was robbery because some of her more valuable stones are missing. In her home very little, if any, of her reported valuables remain. On her person was found a diamond lavalliere composed of about 40 or 50 small cut diamonds surmounted with two half-carat stones and another probably double in value.

#### Was Well-Known.

The deceased was well-known in the Russian community as a professional dancer and performer under the name of Clara Clarina. During Isako's Circus' last tour in Shanghai she performed with the circus as a dancer and has performed at many Russian entertainments recently. She danced in the Apollo Theatre last Christmas and again when a comical production based on the life of the Russian community here was produced in that theatre.

Born in Petrograd of wealthy parents, her father a contractor in the Imperial Russian Railways, the murdered girl was soon thrown against the hardships of life when her father lost his position and wealth in the revolution of 1905.

Last summer she left for Hankow, where, it was reported, she became acquainted with a wealthy Chinese who lavished jewellery and clothing upon her. A rupture occurred in their relations and she returned to Shanghai.

It was learned that for several days before her tragic death the girl appeared to be worrying and anxious over some matter but would not divulge her trouble.

Several days before the murder she visited a Russian lady friend and requested permission to stay with her for the night declaring she did not wish to return home

salvation of the soul of the woman, she killed.

#### "That Wicked Woman."

She was particularly pleased that she was not to be sent to the same penal settlement as Mme. Bessarabo, the woman who killed her husband and packed his body in a trunk. "I was awfully afraid," Mme. Lefebvre told the princess, "that I might be transferred to the same prison as that wicked woman Bessarabo, who killed her husband."

The murderer sketched to the princess a flattering portrait of two of her fellow-prisoners, two women undergoing long sentences in connection with a baby farming case, whom she described as "two extremely well-bred and ladylike persons."

Mme. Lefebvre's chief complaint was that she was to be removed from her cell and taken once more before the Assize Court at Douai as a witness against a prisoner accused of arson, who made a statement to her in a cell. "I do not see," she declared, "why I should be dragged again into that horrible court where I was sentenced to have my head cut off on the public square at Lille."

The condemned woman concluded by expressing the hope that her son would remarry and raise a large family.

## RACING NOTES.

[By RAPIER.]

### MACAO RACE COURSE.

In common with, I imagine, many others I had visualized the above Course as a piece of waste ground with an improvised track and the necessary rails hung round and matcheds dotted about for the accommodation of the public and the ponies. I was agreeably surprised to find on visiting Macao during the week end that the Course is excellently laid out, being 100 yards longer than that of Happy Valley. Despite the four days almost continuous rain it was possible to use the Course for judicious galloping on Sunday morning last. The railings are dead straight and differ in this respect from our Track. There are substantially built stands for members and the public with the usual enclosures for cash sweeps and pari-mutuel betting. The Jockeys room is luxuriously fitted out and conveniently situated. Electric light and water are laid on everywhere and the stables leave nothing to be desired. One set of stables containing 30 stalls is set aside for ponies from Hong Kong.

The paddock is circular and the ponies can be comfortably viewed from the railings surrounding it. It is also used as a riding school for beginners. The Course is on reclaimed ground, formerly the Arica Preta bathing beach on the East side of the Colony. The sea faces the Course and the whole scene from the stands is unusually pretty.

The Race Club is in the hands of men of considerable experience ably led by Mr. K. H. Chun who is a well known figure in Shanghai, Hankow and Tsingtao. Bookmakers will not be allowed on the Course and it will be run as nearly as possible on the lines of the Hong Kong Jockey Club. Apart from Mr. Lo Yam Man there are practically no riders in Macao and Hong Kong jockeys will be given every encouragement to take part in the various meetings. The training is in the capable hands of Mr. Cheng who was previously in charge of Mr. Tam's stables in Shanghai.

The adjourned meeting has been provisionally fixed for March 15th and 16th and, given decent weather conditions, it should be a very successful and enjoyable one.

## CRICKET.

### NEW FIXTURES.

To-morrow, at the University ground, the annual match between the "Phoenix" and Educational Department of the Hong Kong University will take place, weather permitting.

The Volunteers have arranged two friendly matches for next week during the Races on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground. The first will be against the Combined League on Monday, the 28th inst. and the other will be against the Royal Navy on Wednesday, March 2nd.

On Thursday the Kowloon Cricket Club will probably play the K.O.S.B. in a League match.

## FOOTBALL ROWDY FINED.

### CHINESE PAY \$25 FOR THROWING STONES.

A Chinese who was arrested in King's Park, Kowloon, on Saturday, for throwing stones at the "Recreio" team was brought before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of disorderly conduct.

It transpired that an altercation arose during the last ten minutes of the Junior's Shield match played on the ground at King's Park between the Club de Recreio and the China Athletic "A" team. The defendant, from the other side of the fence began slinging stones into the field, but unfortunately for him, Mr. Gilbert, a referee, was to take charge of another match, saw him in the act of hurling a missile into the field. The culprit was at once placed under arrest.

Sergeant Kelly said he was on duty at the match in question when an altercation arose between the players and several Chinese spectators rushed on the ground and threw stones. Witness chased the spectators off the field. It was then that Staff Sergeant Gilbert, handed the defendant to him. The defendant's right hand was covered with grit. The defendant denied the charge and said that he was carrying a football which was knocked out of his hands by the crowd. When bending to retrieve the ball, witness was seized from behind by a European and accused of throwing stones.

His Worship disbelieved the defendant's story and imposed a fine of \$25.

## MOTOR-BANDITS' DARING.

SECOND RAID ON LONDON JEWEL SHOP.

### ESCAPE IN A FLASH.

Motor-bandits broke the window of a jewellers' shop in High Street, Kensington, on January 24th and escaped with rings valued at between £1,000 and £1,500.

The raid on the shop, belonging to Messrs. H. Stokes & Son, was "all over in two seconds" according to the manager: "The first we knew was the crash of the broken window. We rushed outside, but by then the motor-car, with three men in it, was 30 yards away and was being driven at a furious pace. It went down the High Street about 120 yards before turning down Allen Street without slackening speed.

The robbery occurred shortly before 10 a.m., when there were not many people about. A mounted policeman, hearing shouts of "Stop, thief!" attempted to chase the car, but his horse had no chance of catching it. The driver of a motor-van also joined in the chase, but was outdistanced. The bandits gained many yards on their pursuers by the manner in which the driver of the car turned into Allen Street.

#### Index Plates Discarded.

Several people obtained the registration number of the car, a blue four-wheeler, but a little later two index plates bearing the same number were found in Lexham Gardens.

It is surmised that the car was driven rapidly through the maze of turnings—Allen Street, Stratford Road, Marlborough Road, Lexham Gardens—after which the bandits could have gone along either Earl's Court Road or Cromwell Road.

A wooden mallet was found under the broken window. Statements obtained by the police from eye-witnesses indicate that the man who smashed the window walked along the pavement for some distance, being followed by the slowly moving car, which immediately accelerated as a second man removed the tray of rings and jumped in after the first man had smashed the window. There were about 24 rings on the tray, several being picked up later on the pavement. A still grill partially protects the window.

#### Thieves' Same Procedure.

The procedure adopted was almost exactly the same as when a similar raid was made on the same premises in April, 1925. On that occasion also the window was smashed with a mallet, a tray of rings was snatched, and the man dashed back to the car. In a few seconds the car had dashed down Allen Street, and was lost to sight.

A Kensington shop-keeper said to a Press representative: "This is another case where something might have been done to stop the bandits from getting away if an agreed signal to close traffic were instituted by the police. It should not be a difficult matter to devise such a signal which would be readily understood and easily passed on to the police on duty in the surrounding thoroughfares."

## POOR BOYS WITH THE RICH.

### HARROW'S "HEAD" ON A "CRUELTY."

It was easy to advocate the sending of boys from the elementary to the public schools with free places, said Dr. Cyril Norwood, headmaster of Harrow, at a meeting of the Manchester Luncheon Club, but to place a poor boy in this way among boys whose parents could afford to spend £200 a year on their education was cruel and unfair.

People, he added, still accused the public school of crushing out the individuality of potential Shakespeares. "Most of the potential Shakespeares I have met—however potential in their own estimation—were a lot better after the crushing process." (Laughter.)

One of the biggest problems public school masters had to face was that easy-going ignorance on the part of boys of industrial affairs and the life of the people induced by living in beautiful surroundings and meeting only people like themselves.

## BRITAIN'S FALLING BIRTHRATE.

AGAIN LOWER IN 1926.

### ONLY ONE WORSE YEAR.

A still further decrease in the birthrate for England and Wales during 1926 is disclosed by the Registrar-General in his preliminary nativity and mortality statement for the year. For 1925 the birthrate for England and Wales was 18.3, which was the lowest recorded except for the war years of 1917 and 1918. In 1926 the rate declined by 0.5 per thousand, and the figure of 17.8 is worse than that of 1917. With the exception of 1918 it is the lowest ever recorded.

Greater satisfaction is to be derived from the lower rate shown by the mortality figures. For England and Wales the death rate stood at 11.6 per thousand, which was 10.6 below that for the previous year, and equal to that of 1923, the lowest rate ever recorded. The infantile mortality rate is 5 per 1,000 births below that of 1925, and only 1 per thousand above that of 1923, the lowest recorded.

The following is the official analysis of the figures. In the table the death-rate for England and Wales relates to the entire population, but in the case of London and the two groups of towns to the civil population only.

Rate per 1,000 population. Deaths. Deaths under Births. (Crude one year per rate). 1,000 births.

England & Wales	17.8	11.6	70
105 great towns	18.2	11.6	73
153 small towns	17.6	10.6	67
London	17.1	11.6	64

The extent to which the birth rate has fallen may be judged from the fact that the annual average for England and Wales for the years 1838-1904 was 29.5.

Comparing the 19.6 figures with those of other countries it will be seen that while in respect of infantile deaths our rate is one of the best, in regard to births the rate is the lowest in the world. Following are other rates in recent years of some other countries:

	Birth rate.	Infant mortality.
Scotland	23.9	88
Australia	24.6	57
Canada	25.3	79
France	20.0	95
Italy	27.3	128
Belgium	20.5	115
Holland	26.6	67
Prussia	23.9	129
Denmark	22.9	69
Norway	23.7	66

## SYDNEY'S HUGE BRIDGE.

600-TON CRANES TO FACILITATE THE WORK.

To facilitate operations on one of the greatest enterprises ever undertaken by British engineers—the construction of the bridge over Sydney Harbour, there are now being built at Middlesbrough two enormous creeper-cranes, of 600 tons each, which, when working at the apex of the central arch of the bridge, will be suspended at a height of 450 feet—about the altitude of St. Paul's Cathedral—above the water.

An official of Messrs. Dorman Long and Co., steel manufacturers, who secured the £2,500,000 contract for the bridge, said:

The first creeper-crane will be ready in June and the second at the end of the year. We are sending out to Sydney this week the third of four enormous skew-back bearings, of 300 tons each, which are the largest ever made. They are for the great central span of 1,650 feet, the longest in the world. These bearings have been under construction for some time. Our contract specifies that as much of the work as possible should be done in New South Wales, but certain large plates, special steel, and special machinery for the huge shops which have been erected in Sydney for the construction of the bridge, have to be made in this country.

To send out these materials at least a dozen ships have been required during the past year. The bridge contains 50,000 tons of steel, of which 40,000 tons are contained in the central arch.



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FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND  
STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the  
above-named vessel are hereby  
informed that their Goods are being landed  
and placed at their risk in the Hong  
Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godown at Kowloon where  
each consignment will be sorted out Mark  
by Mark and Delivery can be obtained as  
the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo from  
Penang, Malacca, B.S.N. and B. & P.S.N.  
Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here  
unless instructions have been given to  
the contrary Six hours before arrival of  
the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days in-  
cluding date of arrival will be subject to  
Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by  
us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in  
the Godowns for examination by the  
Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors  
Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m.  
on Mondays and Thursdays, within the  
Free Storage period.

All Claims against the Steamer must  
be presented to the Underwriter on or  
before 10th March, 1927, or they will  
not be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hong Kong, 18th February, 1927.  
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## "GLEN LINE LIMITED."

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM  
VIA PORTS.

THE Motor Vessel  
"GLENABRY" having arrived from the above Ports,  
Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby  
informed that all Goods are being  
landed at their risk into the hazardous  
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the  
Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and  
Godown Company, Limited, whence,  
and/or from the wharves, Delivery  
may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 25th Febru-  
ary, 1927, at Noon, will be subject to  
Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged  
Packages are to be left in the Godowns  
where they will be examined in the  
presence of Consignees by Messrs.  
Goddard & Douglas, on 24th February,  
1927, at 10 a.m.

Claims against the Steamer must be  
presented to the Underwriter on or  
before 10th March, 1927, or they will  
not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected  
by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned  
by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
Agents.  
Hong Kong, 18th February, 1927.  
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## SERVICE CONTRACTS DES

## MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## CONSIGNEES NOTICE.

## S.S. "PORTHOS."

BRINGING CARGO FROM  
MARSEILLE, Etc. ALSO CARGO FROM  
LONDON & S.S. "BOILON."

CONSIGNEES are hereby informed  
that their Goods with the exception  
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are  
being landed and stored into the Go-  
downs of the Hong Kong and Kowloon  
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon,  
where Delivery may be obtained im-  
mediately after landing.

All Claims must be sent in to me on  
or before Friday, the 25th instant,  
or they will not be recognised.

Damaged Packages will be examined  
by the Company's Surveyors Messrs.  
Goddard & Douglas in the presence of  
the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday,  
the 22nd February, 1927.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by  
us in any case whatever.

J. LIMAGE,  
Agent.  
Hong Kong, 16th February, 1927.  
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## HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

THE Steamship  
"OLDENBURG" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by  
her are hereby notified that all Goods  
are being landed at their risk into the  
hazardous and/or extra hazardous Go-  
downs of the Hong Kong and Kowloon  
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence,  
and/or from the Wharves, Delivery can  
be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godown, and all  
Goods remaining undelivered after 22nd  
February, 1927, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims must reach us by 25th  
February, 1927, or they will not be  
recognised.

All damaged Packages will be exam-  
ined by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas  
(Marine Surveyors) at 10 a.m. on the  
21st February, 1927.

No Fire Insurance will be effected  
by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned  
by JEBSEN & Co.,  
Agents, Hong Kong.  
Hong Kong, 16th February, 1927.  
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DRIVER ACQUITTED OF  
MANSLAUGHTER.

## PRAYA WEST INCIDENT.

A Chinese motor-lorry driver was  
acquitted on a manslaughter charge  
yesterday by Mr. W. Schofield, at  
the Central Police Court.

It will be recalled that the de-  
fendant knocked down a coolie,  
aged 60, on January 15, at Con-  
naught Road West, and the man  
succumbed to his injuries.

At the inquest the jury returned  
a verdict of negligent driving by  
defendant, who was in consequence  
charged with manslaughter.

At yesterday's hearing, Mr. C. A.  
S. Russ appeared for the defendant  
and sub-inspector Alexander, of the  
Traffic Department, prosecuted.

A Chinese lagoon said that at  
about 8.30 p.m. on the day in ques-  
tion he met the lorry coming from  
Whitty Street.

The driver pulled  
up and told him that he had knock-  
ed down a coolie, and requested  
witness to get into the lorry and re-  
turn with him to where the man  
was lying.

When they reached the place  
they found that the gang of coolies  
who had been carrying sacks of  
peanuts from a junk into a  
godown, were in an excited and  
threatening state.

The gang was  
so furious, in fact that they went  
on until they found a European  
sergeant. The three then returned  
to the place and took the deceased  
to hospital.

Serpt. F. J. Clark gave cor-  
roborative evidence, and this closed  
the case for the prosecution.

Addressing the Court, Mr. Russ  
submitted that no case had been  
made out. The defendant was not  
doing more than fifteen miles an  
hour, and the chain of coolies who  
were working at the waterfront saw  
the car coming and divided into  
two parties, one near the entrance  
to the godown and the other by the  
sea-wall. As the lorry passed the  
deceased rushed out and collided  
with the truck. The driver could  
not possibly swerve without run-  
ning into either one or other of  
the parties on either side of him.

Inspector Alexander agreed that  
the driver did all he could under  
the circumstances.

His Worship dismissed the case.

S.S. "KWONG FOON"  
AGROUND.

## PIRACY RUMOUR CURRENT.

The s.s. Kwong Foon, while on a  
voyage between Hong Kong and  
Wuchow, met with some mishap and  
grounded. Mistaking the nature  
of the coast, the vessel was forced  
to report to Wuchow that the  
Kwong Foon had been pirated, and  
a British gunboat was later sent  
out to investigate.

The nature of the mishap having  
been ascertained, the Kwong Foon  
was refloated with assistance and  
returned to Hong Kong on Sunday  
afternoon, very little the worse for  
her experience so we understand.

## MARINE COURT.

## PETTY OFFENCES.

A batch of petty cases were heard  
by Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, at the  
Marine Court yesterday morning.

One master and five mistresses of  
passengers junk were each fined \$3  
or three days for making fast to the  
Police Pier at Yau-mai.

Three boarding house runners,  
charged with being on board the  
s.s. Tjondari, without permission,  
pleaded that the police flag was  
hoisted after they had boarded. The  
case was dismissed.

Three junkmasters were summon-  
ed with attempting to leave the  
waters of the Colony without a  
permit. Two pleaded guilty and were  
fined \$15. The third did not appear  
and his bail of \$15 was estreated.

## NEWSTEAD ABBEY.

BYRON'S HOME BEING MADE  
INTO FLATS.

The historic Newstead Abbey,  
near Mansfield, Nottinghamshire,  
and its estate are undergoing a  
great change. Builders are at work  
upon a scheme for making the his-  
toric home of the poet Byron into  
apartments to accommodate three  
families. Part of the estate bor-  
ders upon the main Nottingham-  
Mansfield road. Sales have been  
made to private people in lots of  
one acre or more, and nearly 600  
acres have already been disposed  
of. In all 1,334 acres have been  
bought for sale in small lots. Some  
of the land has been sold at 5d.

Four years of Newstead Abbey—  
Lady Charnock, Miss Webb, Major  
Roderick Webb, Mrs. Fraser—have  
died within the last 15 years causing  
a big drain in death duties.

## WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, fore-  
cast and remarks issued by the  
Royal Observatory at 5 p.m. stated:

An anti-cyclone continues to  
develop over China; the depression  
is moving eastward to the north  
of the Bonins. Moderate to fresh  
monsoon will prevail along the  
coast and over the Northern  
China Sea.

Local forecast: N. and N.E.  
winds, fresh, fair.

## KIT-CAT CLUB RAID.

## DRINKING SUMMONSES.

COURT LIKE SOCIAL  
GATHERING.

Police-constables breaking the law  
by drinking champagne supplied in  
water-jug after permitted hours  
was among the piquant revelations  
made in the prosecution of the  
Kit-Cat Club at Marlborough-street  
Police Court.

The constables and their women  
friends, of course, were obtaining  
evidence to support the allegation  
that the Kit-Cat Club, a very  
elaborate and expensive night club  
occupying three floors under the  
Capitol Cinema in the Haymarket,  
was not only in the habit of serving  
alcoholic drinks after permitted  
hours but also allowed the sale of  
intoxicating drinks to non-members.

As the result of a police raid on  
the night of December 11th, no  
fewer than 88 summonses were  
served on members and non-mem-  
bers, and when the case for the  
Commissioner of Police was opened  
by Mr. Muskett before Mr. Mead  
the court was crowded to the doors.

Everybody Chatting.

Pretty women in charming  
clothes (most of them defendants)  
were politely ushered into court by  
a sergeant, while men of wealth and  
position (also defendants) stood in  
the space usually occupied on nor-  
mal days by out-of-work.

Never have I seen, writes Mr. R.  
E. Corder, in the Daily Mail, so  
many lawyers in a police court, and  
never have I seen a police court  
looking as Mr. Mead's looked. It  
resembled a social gathering more  
than a police court, and everybody  
was chatting to everybody else, and  
many of the women were smiling  
more interested than dismayed.

There was a "Fancy meeting you  
here" and "Do look at the darling  
doll" sort of air about the pro-  
ceedings.

But Mr. Muskett was serious  
enough as for more than an hour  
he outlined his case, which included  
a proposition that the club should  
be struck off the register.

The Haymarket Proprietary  
(Ltd.), of Air-street, W.; Colonel  
Walter Elwy Jones, secretary; and  
Peter Soe, manager of the club  
were concerned in 16 summonses.

Early in his statement Mr. Mus-  
kett made it clear that there was  
no suggestion of disorder or drunk-  
enness or the admission of unde-  
sirable characters of either sex into  
the club. But he urged, the prin-  
cipal evidence alleged irregular in-  
cidents showing that the licensing  
laws had been habitually broken  
during late hours of the evening  
and early hours of the morning.

21,500 A Year Manager.

After stating that the company  
was registered with a nominal capi-  
tal of £20,000 in £1 shares, he sug-  
gested that the controlling interest  
was in the hands of Messrs. R. E.  
Jones, Ltd., and of the Piccadilly  
Hotel.

"It is manifest," said Mr. Mus-  
kett, "from the nature and exten-  
sion of the premises that this is  
an establishment and a very large sum  
of money must have been invested  
in it. The rent is an enormous one  
—£7,500 a year, or one-half of the  
net profits, whichever is the greater.  
The rent includes furniture and fixtures."

Mr. Muskett then entered upon  
the most entertaining part of his  
statement—a description of how cer-  
tain police constables and their  
women friends enjoyed the expen-  
sive side of night life in London.

Ten minutes after midnight on  
Sunday morning, November 21st, a  
police-constable with four other per-  
sons (one man and three women)  
went to the club, of which none of  
the party was a member. One spoke  
to the reception clerk on the ground  
floor, and the party was admitted.  
No entry was afterwards found in  
the appropriate books.

Disarding their outdoor clothes  
in the basement, the party joined  
the other 400 persons in the club.  
The police officer straightway or-  
dered a bottle of champagne which  
cost £1 10s. He did not know the  
brand. With the wine was served  
five little sandwiches on a plate.

"When the bill came later," said  
Mr. Muskett feelingly, "I was  
charged for those five little scraps  
of sandwiches, which had not been  
ordered. (Suppressed laughter in  
court.)"

Two More Bottles.

At 12.30 another bottle of cham-  
pagne at £1 10s. was ordered; and  
at 12.40 another bottle. (Unsup-  
pressed laughter in court.) "All  
these services were unlawful," con-  
tended Mr. Muskett. "It was now  
12.40 and the time for closing on  
Sundays was midnight."

After 12 o'clock the champagne  
was brought in a glass water-jug.  
Much intoxicating liquor was seen  
on the tables up to one o'clock. The  
bill was signed at two o'clock by  
one of the constables in the name  
of "A. Bennett" and it came to  
£5 17s.

"Two nights later," proceeded  
Mr. Muskett, who had now got the  
keen attention of his audience,  
"the constables in the case again  
visited the club and was told by the  
reception clerk to wait a minute.  
Colonel Jones came up and to him  
the constable said, 'My name is  
Bennett. I was here the other night.'"

The further hearing of the re-  
maining summonses was adjourned.

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## WORLD'S FINEST STREET.

3-MILES' ARTERY THROUGH  
PARIS.HAUSSMANN PLAN  
COMPLETED.

A new Paris will dawn upon the  
world on January 15th, says a copy  
to hand of the Daily Mail, and the  
visitor who knows the Grand Boule-  
vard of old will find himself rather  
at sea.

Instead of the Grand Boulevard  
running from the Place de la Ré-  
publique to the Madeleine by way  
of the Opéra, with a bend in the  
middle of it, he will find himself  
looking along a great straight-line  
boulevard more than three miles  
long, stretching from the Place de  
la République in the eastern side  
of the city to the Arc de Triomphe  
at its western end.

Seventy years after Baron Haus-  
mann planned this great artery  
crossing Paris from east to west, the  
President of the République will to-  
morrow throw it open to traffic.

Henceforth the Opéra and the  
Madeleine will be off the main  
thoroughfare of the city and the  
Gare St. Lazare quarter, in which  
are situated the two great depart-  
ment stores of the Printemps and  
the Galeries Lafayette, will tend  
more and more to become the busi-  
ness part of the city.

The last section of the great new  
boulevard, the finest in any city in  
the world, is that portion of the  
Boulevard Haussmann which has  
been pierced between the Rue Tal-  
bott and the old boulevard. On  
this site have risen great new hotels,  
banking and insurance premises,  
and resplendent marble-faced shops.

When the President of the Repub-  
lic arrives to open it formally on  
Saturday morning he will have only  
to cut a silken thread to be the first  
man to see the realisation of Baron  
Haussmann's dream.

One of the effects of the new grand  
boulevard will be to divert from the  
beautiful Champs Elysees a great  
deal of the east to west motor traf-  
fic which was rapidly turning the  
famous avenue with its delightful  
gardens and mansions into a noisy  
thoroughfare.

Tramway-cars will no longer be  
permitted to penetrate to the pre-  
cincts of the Opéra area and the  
great railway terminus of St.  
Lazare.

The longest comparable contin-  
uous thoroughfare in London is from  
the Marble Arch, N., to St. Mar-  
tin's-le-Grand, E.C., a distance of  
three miles.

WOMAN'S FLIGHT FROM  
SUICIDE.

## INFATUATION OF A COSSACK.

The love affairs of a dashing Cos-  
sack officer, who formerly held a  
commission in General Wrangel's  
army, have ended in his suicide at  
an hotel at which he had been living  
in Paris.

The ex-Russian officer, Procopie  
Ivanoff, who was 33 years of age,  
tall and good-looking, lost his for-  
tune in the war and took refuge in  
France, where for a time he earned  
his living as a chauffeur.

Last July Ivanoff made the  
acquaintance of a beautiful Russian  
woman, Mme. Margoulis, the wife  
of a stock-broker's clerk. He fell  
madly in love with her and begged  
her to elope with him. For a while  
she hesitated, but then she called on  
him and declared that she had made  
up her mind that she could not do  
so but must return to her husband.

Ivanoff, says Mme. Margoulis,  
locked himself in the room with her  
and collapsed on a chair in tears,  
declaring that he would shoot him-  
self. She pleaded with him not to  
do so, but as she was about to un-  
lock the door and leave he pulled  
a revolver from his pocket and shot  
himself behind the right ear.

The woman adds that after giving  
the dying man a drink of water she  
took to flight, fearing that she  
might be accused of having killed  
him. The police have ordered her  
to hold herself at their disposal.

"Oh! yes; that's all right,"  
replied Col. Jones, and he signed  
for the officer and lady, Mr. &  
Mrs. Bennett and Miss Black, who paid  
7s. 6d. each to the reception clerk.

"Again a bottle of champagne  
was ordered, but this time the offi-  
cer also had club sandwiches, which  
cost 5s. each. There were about 250  
persons in the club at 11.45 and  
several persons were ordering cham-  
pagne. At midnight they began  
putting the bottles under the table  
and taking them out as needed."

The Raid.

At 11.10 on the night of Decem-  
ber 11th the police raided the club  
and executed the search warrant  
granted at Marlborough-street.

About 400 people were present,"  
said Mr. Muskett, "and liquor was  
being served freely. When a super-  
intendent and a large number of  
officers entered the basement and  
sub-basement, the band stopped  
playing, and 200 names were taken  
in circumstances of considerable  
difficulty, as the lights were turned  
out for a cabaret performance."

At this stage several defendants,  
men and women, pleaded guilty to  
having drunk intoxicants at the  
club after permitted hours and were  
each fined £10. Mr. Mead observing  
that it was shown by the cost of the  
food and drink that people who  
attended the club were well-to-do.

The further hearing of the re-  
maining summonses was adjourned.

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cura Soap and Ointment and after  
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February 20th.  
 Jailing, British str., 2,047 tons, Capt. A. J. Scott, from Singapore and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.  
 Jussan Maru, Japanese str., 2,708 tons, Capt. Y. Eguri, from Miki, which port she left on February 15th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B50.—M.B.N.  
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 Hein Foo Sing, Chinese str., 996 tons, Capt. Siman, from Tientsin and Canton, lying at buoy No. C20.—Y.K.K.  
 Huale, Chinese str., 1,300 tons, Capt. J. Bachman, from Shanghai and Swatow, lying at buoy No. C33.—Wallem Co.  
 Ichang, British str., Capt. G. Green, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C13.—B. & S.  
 Kwangchow, British str., 1,573 tons, Capt. J. D. Milne, from Bangkok and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters.—B. & S.  
 Oregon Maru, Japanese str., 4,254 tons, Capt. G. Kikuyama, from Hamburg via Singapore. The latter port she left on February 13th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A30.—N.Y.K.  
 Pulling Maru, Japanese str., 1,668 tons, Capt. R. Nagayama, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B48.—N.Y.K.  
 Prominent, Norwegian str., 1,377 tons, Capt. H. Jensen, from Saigon, which port she left on February 18th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C40.—Karsen Larsen & Co.  
 Seigo Maru, Japanese str., 6,550 tons, Capt. R. Matsui, from Moji, Kobe and Osaka. The first mentioned port she left on February 15th, with 600 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.  
 Sunghua Maru, Japanese str., 1,503 tons, Capt. G. Kawamura, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C17.—N.Y.K.  
 Steadman, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. J. R. Shearer, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.  
 Palma, British str., 6,154 tons, Capt. C. G. Cocklin, from Kobe via Moji and Amoy, with 1,970 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.  
 Tean, British str., 1,351 tons, Capt. E. H. Histed, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C18.—B. & S.  
 Tjibodas, Dutch str., 2,933 tons, Capt. Jac. Naerebout, from Sourabaya and Manila. The latter port she left on February 17th, with sugar and molasses, lying at buoy No. A23.—J.C.M.L.

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### CLEARANCES.

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 Calcutta Maru, for Shanghai.  
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 Fam Sang, for Singapore.  
 Oregon Maru, for Shanghai.  
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Mar. 23	Seattle	Geo. Washington	Apr. 20	6'Pmth-C'burg Apr. 27
Mar. 29	San Francisco	Homeric	Apr. 30	C'burg-Shimpa May 6
Apr. 6	Seattle	Leviathan	Apr. 30	C'burg-Shimpa May 7
Apr. 12	San Francisco	Aquatic	May 11	C'burg-Shimpa May 17
Apr. 20	Seattle	Majestic	May 14	C'burg-Shimpa May 20

## TO SEATTLE AND VICTORIA VIA SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

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PRESIDENT LINCOLN ... Wednesday, Mar. 29th, 10.00 a.m.  
 PRESIDENT CLEVELAND ... Wednesday, Mar. 29th, 10.00 a.m.  
 PRESIDENT PIERCE ... Wednesday, Apr. 6th, 10.00 a.m.  
 PRESIDENT TAIT ... Wednesday, Apr. 20th, 10.00 a.m.  
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PRESIDENT WILSON ... Tuesday, Mar. 1st, 8.00 a.m.  
 PRESIDENT VAN BUREN ... Tuesday, Mar. 14th, 8.00 a.m.  
 PRESIDENT HAYES ... Tuesday, Mar. 28th, 8.00 a.m.  
 PRESIDENT POLE ... Tuesday, Apr. 11th, 8.00 a.m.  
 PRESIDENT ADAMS ... Tuesday, Apr. 25th, 8.00 a.m.

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 PRESIDENT LINCOLN ... Mar. 14th, 6.00 p.m.  
 PRESIDENT GRANT ... Mar. 28th, 6.00 p.m.  
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 TIENTSIN via SWATOW, SHAL & CHEFOO ... "TINGSANG" ... Wednesday, 23rd Feb. at 7 a.m.  
 CANTON ... "HOPSANG" ... Friday, 25th Feb. at 7 a.m.  
 TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "HANGSANG" ... Sunday, 27th Feb. at 7 a.m.  
 BANGKOK via SINGAPORE, CHAKSANG & SHANGHAI ... "HANGSANG" ... Saturday, 26th Feb. at 3 p.m.  
 TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "HOPSANG" ... Wednesday, 2nd Mar. at 7 a.m.  
 TIENTSIN ... "CHEONGSHING" ... Thursday, 3rd Mar. at Noon  
 SANDAKAN ... "MAUSANG" ... Tuesday, 8th Mar. at 1 p.m.  
 STRAITS & CALOUTTA ... "LAISANG" ... Tuesday, 8th Mar. at 3 p.m.  
 OSAKA via MOJI YOKO, HAMA & KOBE ... "KUMSANG" ... Tuesday, 15th Mar. at 7 a.m.  
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EMPEROR OF CANADA	Mar. 30	Apr. 3	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPEROR OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPEROR OF ASIA	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 20	July 29
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## Shipping News Week-End Statement, Shipping Notes, Vessels Expected, etc.

## WEEK-END FREIGHT RETURNS.

## LOCAL IMPORTS FAIR.

## HEAVY BRITISH ENTRIES.

A fair quantity of general merchandise was imported into the Colony during the week-end. Through cargoes, on the other hand, had fallen.

## Sunday's Statement.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Sunday, the total amount of general cargo brought into Hong Kong was 8,838. These were contributed by three steamers. Through cargoes amounted to 1,355 tons, which were manifested on 9 vessels. During this period, there was only one British arrival, and she was in ballast.

## Yesterday's Returns.

The returns made to the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, showed that 18,313 tons of general cargo were brought into Hong Kong.

Of these, 7,764 tons were landed from 6 British steamers. The two best returns were shown by the s.s. *Calcutta Maru*, from Kobe and Iloilo, which brought 3,034 tons, and the *Tibodas* (Dutch), 2,906 tons from Manila and Sourabaya. Through cargoes were manifested on ten vessels. The total amount carried was 12,537 tons, of which, 1,482 tons were on 2 British steamers.

During this period, the British arrivals were heavy being 6 in all. During the week-end there were 29 arrivals and 24 departures. Their nationalities were:—British, 10 arrivals, and 9 departures; Japanese, 9 arrivals and 7 departures; Norwegian, 1 arrival; Chinese, 4 arrivals and 4 departures; Dutch, 3 arrivals; French, 1 departure; German, 2 departures; American, 2 arrivals and 1 departure. Vessels in port totalled 80, of which, 27 were British.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

The total number of deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 48 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 1,847.

The s.s. *Anking* (British) on a voyage to Hong Kong from Singapore via Amoy, reported the death of one male child from pneumonia on February 16th. The deceased was buried at sea.

A curious sound phenomenon during the heavy fog of Friday and Saturday, was reported by Capt. MacKenzie of the s.s. *Tyngsboro*. The Whelan fog signal was easily heard at five miles, but could not be heard at two miles.

## SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The Ben Line s.s. *Benavon*, from Middlebrook, Philadelphia, is due to arrive here on March 2nd.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Nagasaki at 7 a.m. on Sunday and left at 3 p.m. that day. She was due at Shanghai at 5 p.m. yesterday and leaves Shanghai to-day at 12.30 p.m.

The N.D.L. s.s. *Trier* is expected to arrive here at 4 p.m. to-day (Tuesday), and will sail for Shanghai and Japan to-day at 8 p.m.

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

<i>Antenor</i> (Blue Funnel), due March 3th.	
<i>Benavon</i> (Ben Line), due March 2nd.	
<i>Calcutta</i> (Blue Funnel), due March 17th.	
<i>Delhi</i> (Swedish East Asiatic), due March 2nd.	
<i>Empress of Asia</i> (C.P.R.), due February 24th.	
<i>Eumacrus</i> (Blue Funnel), due March 27th.	
<i>Gambela</i> (B.I. & Apear), due 28th, about 7 a.m.	
<i>Hector</i> (Blue Funnel), due April 2nd.	
<i>Polyphemus</i> (Blue Funnel), due March 7th.	
<i>President Jefferson</i> (D.S. and A.M.L.), due February 27th.	
<i>President Lincoln</i> (D.S. and A.M.L.), due February 28th.	
<i>President Wilson</i> (D.S. and A.M.L.), due February 28th.	
<i>Ruesenor</i> (Blue Funnel), due March 1st.	
<i>Trier</i> (N.D.L.), due to-day, at 4 p.m.	
<i>Troilus</i> (Blue Funnel), due March 5th.	

## SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR FEBRUARY, 1927.

## STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.

February	22nd	6.51 a.m.	6.23 p.m.
"	23rd	6.50	6.24
"	24th	6.49	6.24
"	25th	6.48	6.25
"	26th	6.48	6.25
"	27th	6.47	6.25
"	28th	6.47	6.25



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s/s. "D. P. BENOIT" ... 27th February.  
s/s. "CAPT. FAURE" ... 15th April.

s.s. "CAPT. FAURE" due to arrive from DUNKIRK, LONDON, HAVRE about the 26th February.

## SERVICES CONTRACTUELS (Mail Service)

Steamers	Sailings from Marseilles	Arr. at Hong Kong & Sailings for Shanghai and Japan	Sailings from Hong Kong to Marseilles
ANGKOR	...	...	1st Mar.
POETHUS	...	...	15th Mar.
PAUL LECAT	...	...	29th Mar.
G. METZINGER	...	...	12th Apr.
AMAZONE	...	...	26th Apr.
CHENONCEAUX	...	...	10th May

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"MANTUA"	10,962	5th March, Noon	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	8,005	12th March	Marseilles and London.
"NAGPORE"	8,283	14th March	Saigon, Marseilles, London, Hamburg & Rotterdam.
"NYANZA"	7,423	15th March	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MONGOLIA"	15,504	19th March	Marseilles & London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	9th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp, B'ham & Hull.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	18th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"DELTA"	8,097	27th April	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MALWA"	10,980	30th April	Marseilles and London.
"NELLORE"	6,853	11th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KEIWA"	7,138	14th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"NYANZA"	7,093	25th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MOREA"	10,198	28th May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	9,005	11th June	Marseilles and London.
"MANTUA"	10,962	25th June	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	9,144	9th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	23rd July	Marseilles and London.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TALMA"	10,000	22nd Feb.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta
"SEIRALA"	7,841	10.30 a.m.	do.
"GAMBHIRA"	7,257	8th March	do.
"TAKADA"	6,947	15th March	do.
"TALANBA"	8,010	24th March	do.

## EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TANDA"	6,956	4th Mar.	Manila, Sandakan, Iloilo Thursday
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st April	Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th April	do.
"TANDA"	6,956	3rd June	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st July	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th July	do.

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## SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"GAMBHIRA"	7,257	28th Feb., p.m.	Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	4th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TAKADA"	6,947	6th March	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"KHYBER"	9,114	11th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TALANBA"	8,010	15th March	Kobe.
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"DELTA"	8,097	1st April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
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"JEYPORE"	7,648	12th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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"MOREA"	10,198	25th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,956	3rd May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

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"AGRA"	...	...	8th June, 1927

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"DELHI"	...	...	Loading about 5th March, 1927
"SUMATRA"	...	...	8th March, 1927
"AGRA"	...	...	8th April, 1927

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TAITO MARU	...	Tuesday, 22nd March

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## SOUTH AMERICA via Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

GINYO MARU	...	Saturday, 26th Feb., at Noon
ANYO MARU	...	Tuesday, 3rd May, at Noon

## MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP &amp; ROTTERDAM via Ports.

HAKUSAN MARU	...	Saturday, 26th Feb., at 11 a.m.
KITANO MARU	...	Saturday, 12th March, at 11 a.m.
HARUNA MARU	...	Saturday, 25th March

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MISHIMA MARU	...	Wednesday, 23rd Feb., at 11 a.m.
TANGO MARU	...	Wednesday, 23rd March

## NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

AKI MARU	...	Saturday, 19th March
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## SHANGHAI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

CEYLON MARU	...	Tuesday, 22nd Feb.
KAMO MARU	...	Tuesday, 22nd Feb.
MALACCA MARU	...	Tuesday, 1st March
TAMBA MARU	...	Tuesday, 1st March

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